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ROLL OF HONOUR.
IN MEMORIAM.
(1914-1918).

HATCH—Captain Mark Pendrey—In ever-living and loving memory of you, my darling, from your wife, Nancy.
Wait for me, beloved, if you pass among
The lilies that stand by the golden gate,
I shall be coming at even-song.
Beloved, wait for me.

HATCH—In loving and fadeless memory of darling Pendrey, Captain, A.V.C., fourth son of the late Mark Hatch and Mrs. Hatch, "Mill House," Pulsek, passed into the higher life December 30th, 1922.
Farewell, beloved—life's all farewell,
Still by our lonely hearth thy gentle shade shall dwell;
Still shall our thoughts, when life dreariest seems,
Fly back to thee.

TURNER—Lost on H.M.S. Aragon, torpedoed in the Eastern Mediterranean, December 30, 1917, Corporal Alan Norman, R.I. Regiment, the dearly-loved youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Tyrie Turner, Carrick-on-Suir, aged 19 years and 2 months.
Not gone from memory, not gone from love,
But gone to his Father's Home above.

TURNER—In loving memory of my dear brother, Alan N. Turner, called to rest November 30, 1917, aged 19 years. "For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain." Phil. i. 21. Inserted by Captain W. Tyrie Turner, San Francisco, California, U.S.A.

BIRTHS.

ALLEN—Christmas Day, 1924, at 3 Londonbridge road, Sandymount, the wife of John J. Allen, of a daughter (stillborn).

MITCHEL—December 28, 1924, at Miss Webb's Private Nursing Home, Belfast, to Mr. and Mrs. Mitchel, of Largan, a son.

ROBINSON—December 23, 1924, at 5 Fontenoy terrace, Bray, to Mr. and Mrs. Percival H. Robinson, a son.

SWEETMAN—December 26, 1924, at Amharrow Hill, Sandhurst, Berkshire, to Gladys, wife of Walter Sweetman, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

BATE and KENNEDY—December 24, 1924, at St. Augustine's, Highgate, London, by the Rev. A. C. Bridge, M.A., Edward Reginald Bate, of 2 Eden Park, Kingstown, County Dublin, to Marguerite Violet, youngest daughter of the late Alexander D. Kennedy, Solicitor, of Glenageary, Kingstown, County Dublin.

COWX and DONNELLY—December 11, 1924, at St. John the Baptist Church, Clontarf, Dublin, Henry Albert Cowx, son of the late John Cowx, Liverpool, to Josephine (Jee), daughter of Joseph (late) and Mrs. Donnelly, of Fairhaven, Haddon road, Clontarf.

DOYLE and McGRATH—December 23, 1924, at R.C. Church, Warren street, Piccadilly, London, William Ewart Doyle, Piccadilly Hotel, youngest son of the late William and Mrs. Doyle, 4 Royal terrace, Kingstown, and grandson of the late Mr. Egan, Dunsfield, Clontarf, to Mable Philomena Stephanie (Bunnie), daughter of the late James McGrath, Marleville Park, Maynooth, and of Mrs. McGrath, Belleville House, Ashtown, Phœnix Park, and Richmond, Surrey.

HARRIS and THOMSON—December 24, 1924, at Norwich, Captain Harris, M.C., late North Lancashire Regiment, to Elizabeth Lamont Thomson, of Edinburgh.

LITTLE and POPE—December 22, 1924, at St. George's Church, Dublin, by the Rev. Fergus Greer, M.A., Captain Edward Gerald Little, M.C., youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. William Little, 22 Mountjoy square, Dublin, to Maureen A. V., second daughter of the late Lt.-Col. R. H. D. Pope and of Mrs. Pope, 10 Belvedere place, Dublin.

MOLLOY and GUNN—December 26, 1924, at Christ Church (Presbyterian), Rathgar, by the Rev. J. J. Macauley, B.A., Henry Hassett, eldest son of Henry J. Molloy, 4 St. Catherine's avenue, South Circular road, to Edith, fourth daughter of William Faulkner Gunn, J.P., and Mrs. Gunn, of Melrose, Leinster road, Rathmines.

MOORE and BOCKLE—December 10, 1924, at Swinford, Church and Dio., the Right Reverend Lord Bishop of Tuam, assisted by Canon Symons, Aclare, and Canon McQuaide, M.A., Foxford, George Ernest, eldest son of the late William Moore and Mrs. Moore, Culrevagh, Lissaskea, County Fermanagh, to Beryl Frances Emily Cockle, M.B., eldest daughter of the Reverend E. J. Cockle, M.A., and Mrs. Cockle, Swinford, County Mayo.

MULCAHY and SAUNDERS—December 17, 1924, at the Church of Saint Martin-of-Tours, Brooklyn, New York, with Papal Rescript, by Rev. Francis Ryan, Joseph Mulcahy, Attorney-at-Law, Dublin, and John Mulcahy, Athlone, to Julia Mary (May), second daughter of John and Mrs. Mulcahy, Hollybrook road, Clontarf, to Julia Mary (May), second daughter of John and Mrs. Saunders, 21 South Circular road, Kilmainham, Dublin.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on Page 4.

BANNON—December 26, 1924, at Rathcravan, Mount Nugent, William, son of the late John Bannon, Drumlion, Ballinagh, County Cavan, aged 73.

CURRY—December 22, 1924, at 129 Hartfield road, Wimbledon, London, S.W., after a long and tedious illness, borne with that real Christian fortitude which so strongly marked her whole life, Anna, beloved and devoted wife of Arthur Wolfe Curry, and daughter of the late Lucius Pilson (of Dublin). "My Grace is sufficient for thee." Inserted by her affectionate sister and brother.

GIBSON—December 21, 1924, at her residence, Lisbalt House, Balliboorough, Sarah, wife of the late Thomas Gibson, and only surviving daughter of the late Rev. John King, Belfasis.

GOFF—December 28, 1924, at her residence, Evergreen Lodge, Ballybrack, County Dublin, Theodosia, wife of the late John Crosbie Goff, of Cloard, Kilfinane. Service at Killiney Parish Church at 10.30 to-morrow (Wednesday), and afterwards at Dean's Grange.

HALL—December 28, 1924, at Ranelestown, Nanan, Isabella H. Hall, to the inexpressible grief of her husband and son, Sydney. Funeral this day at 3 o'clock to St. Mary's Church.

HARRIS—December 20, 1924, suddenly, in London, Anne Elizabeth, last surviving child of the late Reverend George Harris, of Ashfort, County Armagh, and sister of Thomas Hastings Harris, aged 78.

LOMSARD—December 27, 1924, at Percy Lodge, Killiney, Florence Annie, widow of the late Rev. J. N. Lombard, Baltrothery, Balbeggan, and daughter of the late Captain Andrew Carden, Barnane, Templemore. Funeral to-day (Tuesday), 30th, at Molmi Jerome 11 o'clock.

McDONALD—December 29, 1924, at Newtown Park, Blackrock, Margaret, youngest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Patrick McDonald. Deeply regretted. R.I.P. Funeral to Dean's Grange, after 10 o'clock Mass, from Saint John the Baptist Church, Blackrock, to-morrow (Wednesday) morning.

MAHAFFY—At Pieta, Malta, Oliver, infant son of Robert and Evelina Mahaffy, aged one month.

MARTIN—December 23, 1924, at Lyidelton, Newry, David Martin, J.P. Laid to rest at the family burying ground, Rathfriland, on Christmas Day.

O'HAGAN—December 28, 1924, at 8 Hyde Park Mansions, London, Arthur, son of the late Arthur O'Hagan, 9 Harcourt street, Dublin. R.I.P.

POTTER—December 27, 1924, at Dartmouth, Dartry road, Dublin, Jane Georgina Bloomfield Potter, widow of the late Brigade-Surgeon Henry Potter, Indian Medical Service, aged 80 years. Deeply mourned. Funeral strictly private. No flowers, by request.

RORKE—At Bay Shore, New York, following an operation, Margaret Whilemina Violet, youngest daughter of Samuel and the late Mrs. Margaret Rorke, Ballinagar House, Tullamore. Deeply regretted.
Father, in Thy gracious keeping,
Leave we now our loved one sleeping.

RUSSELL—December 29, 1924, at Rozel, Sandycove, Sophia Antoinette, widow of the late T. B. Russell. Funeral private.

WATERS—December 29, 1924, at Limefield, Torquay, Richard William Waters, late of Springfield, St. Luke's, Cork, aged 84 years.

WATERSON—December 28, 1924, at Glenalbey Nursing Home, Dublin, Margaret Elizabeth, widow of Rev. Francis Willett Waterson, Vicar of Glynn, County Antrim, aged 90. Funeral private.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Mrs. and Miss Bryan and **Mrs. Victor Ryder** desire to return their sincere thanks to the many kind friends who sent telegrams and letters of sympathy in their recent sad bereavement, and trust they will accept this acknowledgment, as it is impossible to reply individually.

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MOTOR NOTES—PROSPECTS FOR 1925.

(BY OUR MOTORING CORRESPONDENT.)

The year that is drawing to a close has been a notable one in the annals of the motor trade. It has seen many changes, and the conditions to-day, although not all that we might desire, are infinitely better than those which ruled twelve months ago. British manufacturers have encountered serious and unexpected difficulties. The claims of labour, competition sharpened by the state of the exchanges, and an unsympathetic Government formed a combination against which it seemed impossible to fight successfully. But nearly every obstacle has been surmounted.

The workers in the motor industry have shown that they are able to face unpleasant facts, and in cases where a cut in wages has been necessary they have accepted it with good grace. Competition has been met by better organisation and increased workshop efficiency. It is too soon yet to say whether manufacturers have overcome the difficulty created by the Labour Government's rashness in removing the McKenna duties, and thereby giving an unfair advantage to foreign competitors, who are helped by the state of the exchange. The industry's effort has been magnificent, but it may fall short of success. If it does there will be little hesitation on the part of the Conservative Government in coming to the rescue and reimposing the duties. Indeed, it would not be a surprise if the Government should renew the duties at any time, for under their protection the industry could expand enormously, and absorb many thousands of the unemployed.

Bright Prospects.

For the motoring community, apart from the trade, 1924 has held some pleasant surprises and some disappointments. Taxation has been maintained at a high level, but prices have fallen, and there has been a great increase in the ranks of the owner-drivers.

The prospects for 1925 are bright. Never before have we had cars of such efficiency at such low prices. Tyres are better and cheaper than at any other time since Dunlop produced the first one. Oil, petrol, and all accessories cost but a fraction of what they cost a few years ago. And there is a chance—a slender one, perhaps—that hard-hearted Ministers for Finance may make us concessions of some sort in the forthcoming Budgets. There are signs, too, that our Irish roads will be better in 1925 than they have been for nearly a decade.

During the past fortnight I have toured a considerable part of Northern Ireland, and I have been agreeably surprised by the improvements that either have been or are being made. Many sharp corners have disappeared, hedges which obscured the view have been cut away, and steam rollers have been busy on roads which never before felt greater pressure than that of a farmer's cart.

Free State Roads.

As with the North, so with the South. In the Free State we have some of the worst roads in the world—roads which, frankly, are a disgrace and ought not to be tolerated by a community with any sense of civic pride. But there are signs of improvement in nearly every district. Many years must elapse before our roads can compare with the roads in England and Scotland, but much can be done, and is being done, with the money that the Government has set aside for improvement work. Tourists will find in the coming summer that Ireland, North and South, has lost none of its former attractiveness, and that genuine efforts are being made to cater for them.

With the high railway rates that obtain in the Free State we may expect a steady increase in the number of owner-drivers in the Free State. The modern car is so efficient that almost anybody can drive it in a fashion. Indeed, the simplicity with which it can be started, run and stopped is, in some respects, a danger. The average driver of to-day knows much less about the mechanism of a car than did the average driver of twenty years ago. In those days one had to be an enthusiast to be a motorist, and had to be able to do all sorts of repairs by the roadside. Legislation to control the issue of licences is overdue. Perhaps, 1925 will see it introduced.

Road Perils.

But without legislation we can do much to reduce the perils of the roads. There are far too many accidents which with ordinary prudence could be avoided. The carelessness of pedestrians accounts for a big proportion, but motorists are not completely blameless. Traffic in Irish cities and towns is not controlled properly. We need to educate ourselves in this matter. Let us all make it one of our new year resolutions to drive carefully and to be considerate for the rights of others. If every one of us could keep a resolution of that kind there would be fewer complaints.

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FOR Sale, 1924 Two Seater Chevrolet; in perfect order; what offers?—D 1742, this office. 29 E

FORD Tourer, 1923, self starter, private, guaranteed, £97, nearest.—D 1734, this office. 29 E

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WOLSELEY 10 two Seater for Sale, perfect condition, self starter; £200; no offers.—D 1752, this office. 29 E

WOLSELEY, 12-16, for Sale; no reasonable offer refused.—T. Walker, Greystones.

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AN ERRING SON.

FATHER'S DECLARATION IN COURT.

Charles Duffin pleaded guilty in the Belfast Police Court to a series of four petty larcenies in Belfast of money and goods from Susan Bolton, Elizabeth Milligan, Elizabeth Sinclair, and R. G. Bolster.

The prisoner pleaded for a chance, and called his father.

The father, a respectable-looking man, addressing Mr. Toppin, R.M., said—The boy has not one redeeming feature. I have done everything for him that lay in my power. He has nearly killed his mother. He has a kink in the brain or something.

Mr. Toppin—Very probably. What age is he?

The Father—Just twenty.

Mr. Toppin—Is there anything you can suggest?

The Father—Nothing, except Borstal.

Mr. Toppin passed a sentence of six months, with hard labour. The only thing he could suggest to the poor father, with whom they sympathised, was that if he could think of anything at the end of that time, any proposals that he might make to the Home Minister would, he was sure, receive careful consideration.

FUNERAL OF MR. R. CECIL BARCROFT.

The funeral of Mr. R. Cecil Barcroft took place on Saturday. A Service was held in Clontarf Parish Church conducted by Canon Connell, Rev. J. L. Morrow, and the Rev. Charles Tyndall, and the interment was in Clontarf Graveyard.

The following were present:—Captain and Mrs. Webb, Mr. Kevin E. O'Duffy, Captain Royal Dublin Golf Club; Mr. Ernest D. Pentland, Mr. William Purser, Mr. Charles H. Ashworth, Mr. Douglas Black, Mr. Francis Horne, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Keating, Mr. Gordon Ross, Mr. Walter Keating, jun.; Mr. H. G. Wynne Greer, Mr. T. G. Ardagh, Mr. G. Leslie Dexter, Sir Walter Herbert Boyd, Bart., K.C.; Mrs. Connell, Mr. Walter Connell, Mr. J. H. Colvin, Canon Drury, Mr. Herbert Jenkins, Captain G. Browne, Captain C. Bailey, Mr. Justice Seely, K.C.; Mr. A. R. Babington, K.C.; Miss Pentland, Miss Lennon, Mr. T. Picton Bradshaw, Mr. John Robb, Mr. and Mrs. Keogh, Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy, Mr. Davidson, Mr. J. D. Walsh, Mr. G. D. Symes, Mr. Patrick Rooney, Mr. John Healy, Captain Hughes, Major Charles O'Donnell, Mr. R. F. Holmes, Major W. N. Foster, D.S.O.; Mr. L. Weiner, L.R.C.S.; Mrs. Graves Leech, Miss Eleanor Leech, Miss Meshum, Mr. John P. Cullen, and Mr. B. A. Aston. Mr. Adam Lloyd Blood was unavoidably absent.

FATALLY SCALDED BY A POULTICE.

At an inquest yesterday on Thomas Boscow, licencee of the Ring of Bells Inn, Warrington, it was stated that he was suffering from influenza and a poultice was applied. Death was accelerated by scalding, caused by the poultice. He weighed twenty stone, and was seventy-one years of age. A verdict of death from misadventure was returned. As a young man, Boscow was a well-known strong man.

BIG FIRE IN DUNMORE.

BUSINESS HOUSES GUTTED.

The two large and important business premises of Messrs. T. Fahy and J. McWalter, Dunmore, were totally destroyed by fire on Christmas Eve. It appears that about nine o'clock on Wednesday night Mr. McWalter's shop was locked up, and everything appeared to be in order. No person sleeps on the premises. At about one o'clock a fire was seen by a person living opposite Mr. McWalter's. The alarm was given immediately, but there was no chance of saving the premises. The fire had practically burned out Mr. McWalter's when neighbours and Civic Guards arrived and endeavoured to save as much property as possible. Only in Mr. Fahy's drapery establishment, which adjoins Mr. McWalter's grocery and licensed premises, was it possible to save some goods.

Mr. M. Finnegan attempted to cut off Mr. Fahy's house, and had only left the roof when it fell in. He narrowly escaped danger to his life.

The situation was rendered very difficult by the fact that no water is available in Dunmore. There is not a pump in the town, and the river is a quarter of a mile away. The fire is believed to have originated in Mr. McWalter's premises upstairs, but the cause of the outbreak is unknown.

Insurance at low rates with Phoenix Assurance Co., Ltd., 10-12 Trinity street, Dublin.—J. R. Warner, Manager. Agents everywhere.—(Advt.)

CHRISTMAS AT THE RICHMOND HOSPITAL.

The customary festivities were observed at the Richmond Hospital, Dublin, at Christmas. No effort was spared by the Matron and her staff to ensure the comfort and happiness of the patients under their care. In addition to the Christmas fare, which was all that could be desired, pipes, tobacco and cigarettes were provided for the male patients, and fruit, sweets and chocolates for the female patients. A great surprise awaited the little children when they awoke on Christmas morning, to find a Christmas tree standing in the centre of their ward, illuminated by a number of fairy lamps and laden with toys of every description. In the afternoon the toys were distributed by Father Christmas to the little sufferers. Each ward of the hospital was tastefully decorated by the sisters and nurses. Two excellent concerts were given for the patients, at which the following ladies and gentlemen gave their services:—

Christmas night—Madam Heffernan, Miss C. Ryan, Miss C. Byrne, Miss J. Byrne, Miss M. Marshall, Miss A. L. Magee, Miss N. Finn, Mr. Con Drum. At the piano—Mr. Rathborne.

St. Stephen's night—The "Comet Concert Party," which included Mrs. H. Saunders, Miss E. Dagg, Miss E. McEntyre, Misses E. and T. Powderly, and Nurse Corway; Miss Corrigan, Miss Hafner, the McEntyre Bros., Mr. H. Saunders, Mr. Dalton. At the piano—Mr. R. Jackson.

PRODUCE AND FOOD MARKETS.

CATTLE.

BIRKENHEAD.—Supplies—1,600 cattle and 1,394 lambs. There was a large supply of cattle to-day. Trade very slow. Best stall-fed bullocks and heifers made around 10½d., grass bullocks and heifers 9d. to 9½d., cows and bulls 5½d. to 7½d. Short supply of lambs met steady trade, recent quotations being fully maintained. Best sorts made 1/6 per lb., sinking the offal. Birkenhead dressed beef—Fair trade was experienced, sides making from 9½d. to 9½ per lb. for the best.

LONDON (METROPOLITAN).—Entries of fat beasts showed an increase of 339 head, compared with previous Monday, and a fair demand prevailed at generally steady rates. Devons realised 7/8 to 7/10, Norfolks 7/2 to 7/6, Shorthorns 6/8 to 7/-, and Welsh runts 7/2 to 7/4. Sheep—Supplies also larger, an increase of 833 being penned. Business made fair progress, and late rates were maintained, Wethers selling at 11/- to 12/-, as to quality, per stone of 8lbs. to sink the offal. Total supplies—492 beasts and 1,165 sheep.

HULL.—Poor market; fair demand. Best beef 14/- per stone, seconds 13/-, cows £9 to £12. Sheep—Small hoggs are 1/10 per pound, large 1/7, ewes 1/2. Small pork 13/- per stone, large 11/6 to 12/-, bacon pigs 9/- to 9/6. 208 beasts, 340 fat sheep, 430 pigs.

GRAIN.

FLOATING GRAIN CARGOES (The Baltic).—WHEAT—Cargo market very firm with holders reserved, but business made quiet progress; the Hayo Maru, 7,000 tons Australian Feb. sold 66/9; the Keywest 7,000 tons ditto Jan 66/9, and steamer 6,500 tons ditto Jan. 66/9; No. 1 Northern Manitoba Dec. sellers 72/9; white Pacific Jan. 66/-, choice white Karachi Jan.-Feb. 64/-, Rosafe (64lbs.) Jan.-Feb. 66/6. Parcels firm; No. 1 Northern Manitoba Jan.-Feb. sold 71/7½, No. 2 hard winter Jan. sellers 67/-, and Rosafe (64lbs.) Jan.-Feb. sold 66/6 per 480lbs. MAIZE—Cargoes firmer, but demand quiet; Plate steamers afloat sellers 47/6 to 48/3, Jan.-Feb. 48/9, Feb.-March 49/6. Parcels firmer; Plate Dec.-Jan. sold 46/9, Jan.-Feb. quoted 48/3 per 480lbs. BARLEY firm, but prices largely nominal in absence of demand. OATS firm, but quiet; Plate f.a.q. Jan. sellers 27/9, Jan.-Feb. 27/6; No. 2 Canadian Western Jan. 34/3 per 320lbs.

MARK LANE CORN.—There was a fair attendance of buyers at the week's opening market, but business made quiet progress—a holiday tone being still apparent. Prices, however, rule firmer for all cereals in sympathy with higher forward offers. WHEAT firmer; No. 1 Northern Manitoba quoted 73/9, No. 2 ditto 72/9, No. 2 hard winter 70/-, choice white Karachi 66/-, all per 496lbs.; English 12/4 to 12/6 per 112lbs. f.o.r. FLOUR firm, with a hardening tendency; London standard straight run quoted 53/-, patents 55/- to 56/-, town whites 53/- per sack, delivered in London area. Imported quiet; Manitoba ranges from 51/- to 55/6, as to quality; Minneapolis 50/6 to 52/6, and Australian 48/- to 48/6 all per 280lbs. ex store. BARLEY firmer; Californian quoted 69/- to 71/-, Chilian Chevalier 84/- to 87/-, Polish ex store 60/- to 68/- per 448lbs.; No. 3 Canadian Western ex ship 42/-, No. 4 ditto 41/-, landed 42/6; American malting (48lbs.) ex ship 40/9, landed 42/6 per 400lbs. English ranges from 11/- to 20/- per 112lbs. f.o.r. MAIZE grain firmer; Plate ex ship quoted 46/-, ditto landed 47/3, and Odessa in latter position 47/3 per 480lbs. OATS firmer; Plate ex ship quoted 29/6, ditto landed 31/-; No. 2 Canadian Western ex ship 35/-, ditto landed 37/-, American white clipped 38/-, landed at 31/6, all per 320lbs. English 9/4 to 10/6 per 112lbs. f.o.r. MILLERS' OFFALS quiet, but firm; broan bean quoted 9/-, middlings 9/6, fine ditto 11/9, bags included, ex mill; powdered oat husks 8/9, feed oatmeal 10/9, round oats 14/3, all per cwt. f.o.r. OATMEAL fully steady; London made flaked 20/6, rolled oats 20/-, medium, also fine cut, 20/-; coarse and medium pinhead 20/-, ordinary Scottish oatmeal 20/6, American and Canadian rolled oats 21/6 per cwt.

LIVERPOOL.—WHEAT—American markets were generally easier, but Argentine better, while weekly shipments were smaller, and forward deliveries of wheat here, after starting barely steady, rapidly improved until a liberal advance had been established. Prices then receded and fluctuated fairly according to the offerings, finishing at the worst point on disappointing late afternoon cable. December being the turn dearer, but other months showed a slight decline on the day. C.i.f. parcels of No. 2 hard winter January sold at 66/9, Rosario-Santa Fe January 66/9, Australian February-March 66/6, March-April 66/3; choice white Karachi afloat 63/6, January 63/9 to 63/10½, and red Karachi January-February 62/10½ per quarter. C.i.f. parcels of MAIZE River Plate January-February sold at 47/7½ per quarter. Wheat on the spot firmly held at the recent advance. Maize spot parcels firm, and River Plate ½d. dearer at 9/10½ to 9/11, with Russian 10/10 and Australian 10/1 to 10/2 per cental. FLOUR firm at hardening rates; graded red futures, after being 1½d. to 1¾d. dearer, gave way and fluctuated fairly, closing ½d. dearer to ½d. to ¾d. per cental lower on the day. Maize options closed ¼d. dearer after showing ½d. advance.

PROVISIONS.

LONDON.—BUTTER—Market quiet, at the recent lower level of prices, following liberal arrivals from the Colonies. Quotations—Australian salted 160/- to 186/-, with unsalted ranging from 160/- to 190/-, New Zealand salted 186/- to 200/-, unsalted 206/- to 208/-; New Zealand salted 186/- to 200/-, unsalted 206/- to 208/-; Argentine 160/- to 178/-, Siberian 150/- to 166/-, Danish 224/- to 228/-, Dutch 236/- to 238/- per cwt., and ditto rolls 26/- to 27/- per dozen lbs. CHEESE firm, with a steady demand for English and Colonial makes. Dutch, however, moves off slowly. Quotations—English, finest farmers 112/- to 122/-, fine ditto 100/- to 110/-, loaf 120/- to 130/-, factory 86/- to 90/- per cwt. Stilton 10d. to 1/9 per lb., as to quality; white, also coloured 96/- to 100/-; New Zealand ditto 94/- to 98/-, Australian 92/-, Dutch Edam 40 p.c. 110/- to 116/-, 30 p.c. 97/- to 100/-, 20 p.c. 82/- to 85/-; Gouda 45 p.c. 127/-, 40 p.c. 112/-, 30 p.c. 100/-, and 20 p.c. 80/- to 81/- per cwt. BACON—Market steady, with a moderate demand in force, officially prices were unaltered. Quotations—Irish 112/- to 124/-, Danish 110/- to 116/-, Swedish 111/- to 114/-, Dutch 106/- to 110/-, Canadian 100/- to 108/-, and American 95/- per cwt. HAMS—English steady, but American brands continue quiet of sale. Quotations—English, as to weight, 145/- to 200/-; Canadian short cut, green 100/-; American long cut 100/- to 112/-, short cut 96/- to 104/- per cwt. LARD quiet; American boxes quoted 88/- to 92/6, pails 96/3, cartons 96/- to 97/- per cwt. EGGS quiet, with ample supplies available. Quotations—English 25/- to 26/-, Danish 23/- to 26/-, Dutch, all-brown 25/- to 26/-, mixed 19/- to 24/-, as to quality; Belgian 20/- to 22/-, Styrian 17/- to 18/-, South African 16/- to 20/-, Argentine 15/6 to 16/6, Russian 16/6 to 17/-, Egyptian 10/- to 12/6, Morocco 14/6 to 15/-, Australian 20/- per 120.

LIVERPOOL.—Irish and Danish BACON firmly held for late rates, but the demand is of only a moderate character, the holiday feeling being still prevalent. Canadian Wiltshires rule firm, but quiet and unaltered. The market for American selections of bacon here is quiet, but, with strong Chicago cables, holders generally are reserved, though backs in some cases are easier on the best brands, being now quoted 96/- to 98/- per cwt., while Wiltshires and Cumberlands are unchanged, with long clear and bellies nominal in the absence of offerings. HAMS irregular, supply of long cuts being in excess of requirements, and easier at 102/- to 104/-, but short cut and extra skinned firm and dearer at 107/- to 112/-, and 102/- to 107/- per cwt. respectively. Shoulders steady, but quiet at late rates for squares and New Yorks, while picnics remain nominal owing to scarcity. LARD on the spot firm and prime steam held for 1/- advance at 97/- to 98/- on limited offerings, but American refined shows no quotable change, the demand being of only a moderate character. CHEESE firmly held at late rates, but little business reported. BUTTER quiet and easier all round. Danish now offered at 228/- to 230/-, Canadian 186/- to 188/-, New Zealand 203/- to 206/-, Australian 190/- to 193/-, and Argentine 182/- to 184/- per cwt. EGGS inactive at 23/- to 26/- for Irish hen and 9/6 to 10/- Egyptian per 120.

LIVERPOOL REFINED LARD "FUTURES."—Following the sharp rise in Chicago, this market opened 6d. to 1/- per cwt. dearer, and further improved on a fair demand and scarcity of sellers, prices at the end of early session showing an advance of 1/3 to 1/9 on yesterday's rates. Sales covered January at 86/3 to 86/6, March 87/6 to 87/9, May 87/9 to 88/3, September 89/6 to 90/-, and [illegible] quoted 86/- to [illegible]. With [illegible] cables values [illegible] under best, were [illegible] January realised [illegible], May 88/9 to [illegible], and 90/6 per cwt. Weekly settlement price—December 86/6.

January 87/-, March 85/-, May 88/6, June 88/3, September 90/6 per cwt.

DUBLIN VEGETABLE.—A more or less holiday atmosphere prevaded market, and very few buyers attended for the small arrival of vegetables forward; what offered sold as follows:—York cabbage 60/- to 70/- per load, Savoy 36/- to 50/-, celery 3/- to 4/-, sprouts 3/- to 4/6; swede turnips 1/8 to 2/- per cwt.

DUBLIN POTATO.—No change to report in potato trade. Sales slow, and prices as before quoted—viz., 8/- to 8/6 per cwt.

CORK BUTTER.—The tone of the market is quieter and values are easier. Choicest salted 212/- per cwt., creameries 210/- to 212/-, choicest mild 210/- upwards.

DUBLIN FISH.—Absolutely nothing offering on this market owing to the very stormy weather now prevailing round the coast.

BILLINGSGATE FISH.—Supply fair. Demand moderate. Soles 1/6 to 2/-, slips 1/4 to 1/6 per lb.; live eels 32/- to 35/-, dead 26/- to 30/- per draught; turbot 14/- to 20/-, brill 12/- to 15/-, plaice 6/- to 12/-, halibut 14/- to 22/-, lemon soles 14/- to 20/-, witches 4/- to 7/-, whiting 3/- to 5/-, cod 5/- to 8/-, skate 4/- to 7/-, hake 7/- to 10/-, haddocks 6/- to 8/- per stone.

GRIMSBY FISH.—Poor supply. Demand fair. Plaice 14/6, lemon soles 30/-, halibut 16/- to 20/-, cod 6/- to 11/-, skate 7/- to 8/-, small haddocks 4/-, kit 6/9 gibbed 9/6, dabs 10/- to 11/-, codlings 6/- to 7/-, whiting 4/- per stone; soles 2/3, turbot 1/8, brill 1/- per lb.

PRODUCE.

LONDON.—SUGAR—The market remained without new feature, the demand being confined to actual requirements, and spot prices were repeated, both for British and foreign descriptions. Continental gran. in forward positions received moderate support at steady rates. Czecho ready quoted 17/9 and Jan.-March 18/- f.o.b. Hamburg; Dutch fine Dec.-Jan. 18/9 and J 18/3 f.o.b. Amsterdam. Raw kinds quiet. White terminal steady, with moderate sales; March sold 17/1½. May 17/6 and Aug. 17/7½ per cwt. COFFEE—Spot market fully steady, with supplies of fine liquoring grades in small compass. Futures firmer; March quoted 117/6 and May 116/6 per cwt. COCOA—Spot dull at late rates; Accra F.F. quality Jan.-March sellers 42/- per cwt. f.o.b. terms. TEA—Market quiet pending resumption of public sales, but general tone steady. RICE quietly steady; two stars spot quoted 18/- to 18/6 as to quality, Jan.-Feb. 14/10½, Feb.-March 14/9; Spanish prompt shipment 23/6 to 23/9 and Italian 22/3 per cwt. c.i.f. Japanese Peas—Nov.-Dec sold 24/10½, Jan.-Feb quoted 25/3 and Feb.-March 25/4½ per cwt.

SPICE—Pepper steady; black Singapore L.S. Jan.-March sellers 8½d., Lampong ditto 8½d., Muntok Jan.-March buyers 10¼d., March-May 11d. Zanzibar Cloves—Oct.-Dec. buyers 11d. and Jan.-March 10½d. per lb. TAPIOCA dull; Singapore flake to Havre Jan.-March quoted 19/9, March-April 20/3, and Penang seed to London March-April 21/-. Sago Flour—Jan.-March sellers 21/- per cwt. JUTE tends firmer, with a fair demand; firsts to Contiennt Jan.-Feb. buyers £30 10/-, Feb.-March £39 15/-, and lightnings Dec.-Jan., also Jan.-Feb., £37 15/- per ton. Hessians and twills firm, but quiet. HEMP—Manila firmly held; J grade Dec.-Feb. quoted £56 10/-, K ditto £55, L ditto £54 10/- and M £53 10/- per ton. Receipts for past week 20,000 bales, estimate for next week 28,000 bales, and the following week 18,000 bales. New Zealand nominal. SHELLAC quiet; T.N. spot 315/- to 320/-, March 287/6 and May 282/6 per cwt. COPRA dearer; F.M.S. Straits to Rotterdam Dec.-Feb. and Jan.-March sold £31 2/6, Dutch E.I. ditto £30 15/-, Ceylon Dec.-Jan. quoted £32 and South Sea Islands £30 5/-. Palm Kernels to Liverpool Jan.-March sellers £23 per ton.

RUBBER firmer and a fair business transpired. Plantation standard crepe and sheet spot and Jan.-March sold 1/7½ to 1/7¾, April-June 1/7¾ and July-Sept. 1/7 per lb. Wild sorts quiet, unaltered. London stocks of plantation show a decrease of 320 tons on the week. OILS—Linseed firmer; spot 49/-, Jan. 48/4½, Jan.-April sold 48/4½ and May-Aug. 48/7½. Rape—Crude spot 51/6, refined 54/6. Cotton—Crude Egyptian spot 48/-, Bombay 45/-, common edible 52/6. Cocoanut—Ceylon spot pipes 49/-, shipment 48/6. Turpentine dull; American spot 59/3 and Jan.-April 60/3 per cwt. Petroleum and Resin unaltered. OILSEEDS—Linseed firmer, with a fair demand; Calcutta to London in most positions quoted £24 10/-, and Plate to Hull Jan.-Feb. sold £22 15/-. Rape steady; Toria to Continent Dec.-Jan. quoted £21, and real bold Ferozepore ditto £20 15/-. Cottonseed quietly steady; Egyptian black to Hull Jan. quoted £13 17/6, white ditto £13 7/6 and Bombay Jan.-Feb. £10 17/6 per ton.

LIVERPOOL.—TALLOW firm, and sales recorded in South American frigorific "A" beefs, January-February shipment, at 50/6 per cwt., c.i.f.

CLYDE CRUSHED SUGAR.—Market opened with better tone and moderate demand for spot sugars, which were quite steady compared with last week's closing price.

MISCELLANEOUS.

BRADFORD WOOL.—Reports from Dunedin show that there was better competition and a slight hardening tendency. This has served to stiffen the attitude of topmakers, and no further concessions are being made. Prices may be described as steady, with business very quiet. Crossbred yarns are comparatively firm, especially lower grades.

LIVERPOOL COTTON FUTURES (Closing).—American reopened firm and values rose about 39 to 40 points on the strength of the week-end advices from New York. The upward movement continued during the morning under the influence of trade calling and shorts covering, and at midday a steady tone prevailed, with this season's crop months marking an advance of 42 to 37 points and new season's months about 32 to 30 points. The market again met with support in the afternoon. Offerings were light, and, with New York cables again coming higher, prices rose a few points further. Some realisations, however, near the close caused a slight set-back, but the market finished steady, with values finally ranging 45 to 34 points up on the day. Egyptians very firm and prices closed about 70 to 80 points higher. The market for spot American continues quiet, but quotations are advanced 40 points. Egyptian is quiet and quotations are 50 points higher. East Indian quiet and 25 points higher. Brazilian quotations are 40 points higher. American middling, 13.64d.; Egyptian sakellaridis F.G.F., 29.85d.; Tinnivelly F.G.F. 12.95d., good 13.35d.; M.G. Oomra, good 11.75d., F.G. 12.25d., fine 12.75d.; M.G. Bengal, good 11.45d., F.G. 11.85d., fine 12.25d. Total sales, 4,000 bales; total imports, 32,800 bales. General spot tendency quiet. Futures American tendency steady. Closing prices, American basis, fully middling, low middling:—December 13.42d., January 13.42d., February 13.44d., March 13.48d., April 13.51d., May 13.56d., June 13.55d., July 13.57d., August 13.43d., September 13.34d., October 13.19d., November 13.09d., December 13.04d.

LONDON METALS MARKET.

COPPER AND TIN RISING.

TIN in good support, and prices advanced 55/- per ton for both spot and forward, compared with previous close. Standard cash quoted £271 10/- to £271 15/-, three months £274 15/- to £275; settlement price £271 15/-. 1,100 tons changed hands; cash at £272 15/- to £271 5/- and finally £271 10/-, three months £275 to £276 and finally registered at £274 15/-. English ingots £272 10/- to £273. COPPER active and dearer, prices on balance being 15/- over previous close. Standard cash £67 7/6 to £67 10/-, three months £68 10/- to £68 12/6; settlement price £67 10/-. Sales, 3,000 tons; standard near dates sold £67 10/-, three months £68 to £68 10/- and £68 12/6. Electros £72 to £72 5/-, wire bars £72 5/-. LEAD firmer, but irregular, and a good business transpired. 1,300 tons sold; good soft foreign pig December at £44, January £43 12/6 to £43 7/6, February £43, March £41 17/6 to £42 and finally £41 15/-, April £41 10/-; settlement price £43 15/-; English quoted £45. SPELTER firmer, and 1,400 tons sold; January at £38 15/-, February £38 12/6, March £38 12/6 to £38 11/3, April £38 7/6 to £38 11/3 and £38 8/9; settlement price £39 per ton. QUICKSILVER firmer; spot £12 15/- to £13 per bottle. TIN PLATES unaltered.

FLOUR PRICE ADVANCED.

The London Flour Millers' Association state that the price of standard flour has been advanced one shilling to fifty-four shillings for the London area.

WOMAN AND HER HOME.

MENUS FOR CHILDREN'S PARTIES.

It is often a little difficult to provide attractive and yet sufficiently plain fare for the kiddies at a season like this when parties follow one another in quick succession.

A little ingenuity, however, makes it possible to produce very decorative and "pretty" dishes without undue rich ingredients.

Since variety means much to the children, it is well to provided as many attractions as possible rather than a large supply of one or two dishes.

The following recipes will prove very popular:—

BANANA SURPRISES.

Required:—Bananas, pastry, jam, cake or biscuit crumbs.

Peel as many small bananas as required, coat them with a little jam or fruit syrup, and roll in cake or biscuit crumbs. Roll out some pastry very thinly, and cut out rounds large enough to enclose a banana. Wet round the edges, lay a banana in the centre, and fold over. Press the edges well together, brush over the pastry with a little milk or water, sprinkle with sugar, and bake on a greased tin in the oven from fifteen to twenty minutes. Serve cold.

CHOCOLATE TRIFLE.

Ingredients:—

½lb. chocolate roll.	1 dessertspoonful cocoa or chocolate powder.
1½ pints milk.	
Vanilla flavouring.	1½ oz. granulated sugar.
1 oz. almonds.	1 gill cream.
Custard powder.	

Method:—Cut the chocolate roll into slices about half an inch in thickness. Boil half a pint of the milk, arrange the chocolate slices in a dish and soak with the hot milk, using as much of the latter as is necessary. Mix the chocolate powder with the custard powder, and mix to a smooth paste with a small quantity of the pint of milk. Put the remainder of the milk in a saucepan with the sugar, and when boiling add to the custard powder, etc., stirring well to prevent it from being lumpy.

Flavour with vanilla. Sprinkle with chopped almonds.

Pour the chocolate custard over and leave until cold.

Add a sprinkling of castor sugar and a few drops of vanilla to the cream, whisk it until it thickens.

Shake on to the top of the trifle, and sprinkle the remainder of the chopped almonds over it.

ORANGE JELLY WITH CREAM.

3 oz. Tapioca.	2 oz. Brown Sugar.
1 pint Water.	A little Cream.
3 Oranges.	

Use the small tapioca, wash, it, and let it soak in the water for half an hour or so. Wipe the oranges, grate off the yellow rind, and add to the tapioca. Cook over a slow fire, stirring frequently until the tapioca turns quite clear. Then add the sugar and the strained juice of the three oranges. When cold the mixture will be set like a jelly. Pile it up in a dish and decorate with a little whipped and sweented cream.

Custard may be served instead of cream.

Lemon jelly can be made in the same way; or tapioca jelly, with chopped nuts and vanilla flavouring, will make another nice sweet.

APPLE CREAMS.

Make ½ pint of apple purée by rubbing baked or steewed apples through a fine sieve. Strain into this while still warm ½ oz. gelatine dissolved in a little water or apple juice, and mix well. Then add 1 gill thick custard, sugar if necessary, 2 or 3 drops of carmine, and 3 drops of ratafia essence. Mix again and set aside to cool. Then pile up in individual serving dishes, cap with whipped cream, and serve with wafer biscuits. Other fruit creams could be made in the same way.

GINGER SNAPS.

Put ¼lb. flour and ¼lb. sugar into a basin and rub in 3 oz. butter with the tips of the fingers. Add ½ teaspoonful ground ginger, a few drops of vanilla, and a dessertspoonful of brandy if desired. Moisten with ¼lb. syrup and mix well. Form the paste into small balls the size of a marble, and place them on a greased baking-tin, allowing plenty of room between them. Bake in a moderate oven until brown, and spread out as thin as a wafer. Cool for two minutes, then remove from the tin with a knife and twist round a wooden roller, or over small cornet-shaped moulds. Remove when cold and fill with whipped cream.

CHOCOLATE PUFFS.

2 Whites of eggs.	2 Squares of chocolate grated.
2 Cupfuls powdered sugar.	2 Tablespoonfuls corn flour.

Beat the egg-whites until stiff; add the sugar gradually and then the cornflour with which the grated chocolate has been mixed. Drop on greased tins from a teaspoon, placing the little mounds one inch apart. Bake in moderate oven for fifteen to twenty minutes.

MARY GWYNNE HOWELL.

FIRESIDE READING.

It is an all-wise Providence sets the times and seasons, and when the summer, with its opportunities for refreshment of body, is past, sends the winter alive with possibilities—if we choose to see them—for refreshment of mind.

Summer is gone. Autumn's cloak has trailed over the carpet of russet and golden leaves. There's a rising, sleet-driven wind outside; warmth and brightness within. For us the joys of a gas-fire are so far non-existent; we revel instead in the gleam of a fire; the leaping flame from the log, the steady, red glow of coals. Drawn curtains reduce the sound of the wind to a pleasurable monotony; the breeze that anon whistles far up in the chimney fails to disturb; a little pile of books is to our hands, but it is hard to decide which to take up first. There are so many and there is so much.

The habit of reading, if not inherited, is

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at least easily formed, and in a superficial sense at least it is, in these days, well-nigh universal. Every recreation has some influence, as every tree is known by its fruits, and even a desultory course of reading is not without its effects.

If we limit ourselves to a few books they should be well chosen, and they should embrace some of many kinds. Taste is individual, and in regard to books, as in all else, it differs; but with many—not all—of us fiction takes first place. Let us follow our mood for the moment, anyhow, and sample—if you like the word—different authors, bygone and modern alike, and then ourselves shall decide whether Dickens or Walpole, Thackeray or Hutchinson, is pre-eminent. To ourselves we stand or fall, and we can, if we want to, flaunt generally-expressed opinion, and vote the palm to the moderns—if we want to. As we come to the end of each, and lie back some moments in quiet thought it stands out in its own individual colour, murky, shadowy nondescript, or radiant amber or gold.

Fiction-reading can serve a very useful purpose if we do not allow it to absorb all the time at our disposal for this pastime. And we must not. There is so much else to "sample," so many subjects to walk round, and, perhaps, later on to dive into, for many that at first are unattractive and repellant prove interesting and all-absorbing when we have passed the first stage of curiosity. One step taken with determination, and we may find we have no wish to go back; and the reading of poetry, biography and a host of other subjects becomes a very real interest. Fiction may just be the door-into.

Whatever may be the outcome of our attempts, however, it is well to make a note of all we read, authors and titles alike, and at the end of the reading season, when bird-calls and bursting buds and softer breezes lure us from the fireside, we can see what our progress has been and note, too, whether the general trend of thought or effort has been upward.

MAEVE.

LECTURES AND LECTURERS.

THOSE who had the pleasure of hearing Principal Grant Robertson, of Birmingham University, when he lectured recently in Dublin, must have realised how exactly he fulfils the function of a lecturer.

The way he handles his subject is both stimulating and suggestive. It is no mere catalogue of names or string of dates, but we are presented with living human beings, not mere puppets moving in a show—and they stand out in vivid outline against the dark atmosphere of their surroundings.

We have become familiar with the figures of Louis XI., Charles The Bold, or rather the "Rash," and Cardinal Mazarin, for their actions and their motives have been weighed and analysed; so that we go back with greatly enhanced interest to Scott's "Quentin Durward," Victor Hugo's "Notre Dame," and Dumas' every delightful series of historical novels.

A lecturer must be humorous and interesting, as well as informing, if he is to be a success, for most of us like knowledge administered in a peptonised and palatable form, otherwise we cannot assimilate it—and suffer from mental indigestion.

Recalling some of the lecturers that I have heard, Sir Robert Ball stands out as one who was very witty, and instructive as well, and in listening to him on "Astronomy," I seemed completely carried away to "brighter worlds." The late Professor Dallinger, of London, used to lecture charmingly on "Spiders," but unfortunately he so clothed them with romance that I have felt reluctant ever since to destroy them or their webs!

Sometimes a man can write well, and yet when he lectures on the same subject he is exceedingly dull. For instance, when I heard Professor Mandell Creighton—afterwards Bishop of London—give a lecture on Queen Elizabeth, in Emmanuel College, Cambridge, I found him very dry, for his rapid utterance and monotonous delivery were hard to follow. But afterwards when I read his book on the same subject I was fascinated, for he has an arresting and impressive style.

The importance of a good delivery in a lecturer can hardly be over-estimated, and many think that what Demosthenes meant by his threefold advice to orators was not action, but delivery or manner, so that oratorial excellence is rightly called eloquence. A person should appear by his outward look and gesture to be himself animated by the truths he is expressing; otherwise he will hardly prove convincing to his hearers.

However, I remember with gratitude a university extension lecturer, who had neither a striking personality nor a good delivery, and yet a course of lectures on "England's Colonial System" which I attended arqused in me an interest in the subject which never

A New Model from Paris.

died down. And he did one real service also by giving a list of books on the subject, such as Seeley's "Expansion of England," which he advised his hearers to read and ponder.

Sir W. M. Ramsay, though a most deeply learned man, and one of the greatest living authorities on Eastern archæology, is decidedly disappointing as a lecturer. In conversation, I am told, he has an easy and pleasant way of conveying information, and never talks down to his hearer, as some learned people are inclined to do.

An amusing incident occurred once, I recollect, when he was lecturing in Constantinople on "East and West." About half way through he hesitated, looked at his watch, and, to the consternation of chairman and audience, brought his lecture to an abrupt conclusion. The explanation was that he had mistaken the hour, and thought that he had exceeded the time limit.

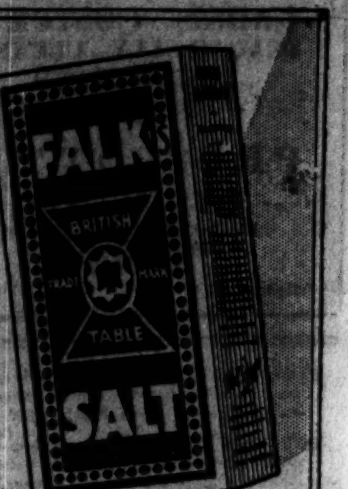
A. P. W.

SHIP'S MATE DROWNED.

While jumping from a ship to the quay at Hull yesterday, Alan Craig (23), second mate of the Newcastle steamer Riding, fell into the water and was drowned. He belonged to Sunderland.

DEATH OF A CENTENARIAN.

Mrs. Sage, of Moulin, Perthshire, who celebrated her hundredth birthday on Christmas Day, died yesterday. She had been a widow for Seventyfive years.



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GLASGOW SHIPOWNER'S AFFAIRS.

INSOLVENCY DUE TO POOR TRADE.

A Glasgow shipowner was examined in bankruptcy in the Glasgow Sheriff Court yesterday. The total deficiencies were returned at about £92,000.

The debtor was John M. Ray Frew, of Coniston, Bridge of Weir, trading as John G. Frew and Company, shipowners, 136 Buchanan street, Glasgow. His statement of affairs showed liabilities of over £55,000, and assets of over £2,000. Since this statement was made up there had been a further claim for £38,000 in respect of alleged breach of contract for the building of two vessels, bringing the total liabilities to £94,000.

The debtor stated he had been in business as a shipowner for thirty years, and had very little capital to start with. He attributed his present insolvency to the big slump in the value of shipping since 1920, and also to the extreme depression of things generally in recent years.

The examination was closed.

LONDON BUTLER'S DEATH.

INQUEST ADJOURNED.

An inquiry at Westminster yesterday into the death of Edward Senge Wall (51), employed as a butler by Mr. Algernon Dudley Ryder, Cowley street, Westminster, was adjourned until Monday, in order to hear the evidence of his wife, who is in hospital suffering from wounds in the throat.

A parlourmaid, named Downs, said that Wall and his wife were married two months ago, and they used to have little tiffs, but otherwise they were on affectionate terms. On Tuesday last she heard Mrs. Wall call out from an upper room. The police were summoned, and on the fourth floor Wall was found lying on the floor with his throat cut, and Mrs. Wall was bleeding from a wound in the throat.

Constable Ashton said that Mrs. Wall remarked, "I annoyed Teddy yesterday; it is not his fault. I am to blame."

ASSAULTED AND ROBBED.

DUBLIN MAN'S EXPERIENCE AT STILLORGAN.

Three men, one of whom had a revolver, accosted Mr. Frederick Carr, of 53 Rathmines road, Dublin, near Stillorgan railway station on last Saturday night, and robbed him of 30s. One of the party first asked for a match, and when he replied that he had none, Mr. Carr was struck on the face, and knocked down. He tried to rise, but was knocked to the ground a second time by the same man.

As he got to his feet, Mr. Carr was threatened with a revolver and his purse was taken. He was ordered to continue his journey, and warned that if he turned his head he would be shot. Mr. Carr reached Dublin by tram, and reported the matter to the police.

BREAD VAN DRIVER ROBBED.

James Pender, a breadvan driver employed by Messrs. Johnston, Mooney and O'Brien, was "held up" on Saturday night last at Airfield road, Upper Rathmines, Dublin, and robbed of 30s. by two young men, one of whom was armed with a revolver.

WAITERS' QUARREL.

A BLACKPOOL TRAGEDY.

A Coroner's jury at Blackpool last night returned a verdict of death from misadventure on Harold Ashworth, 29, a waiter. The jury attached no blame to William Albert Wakeling, 21, a fellow waiter of deceased, who had been remanded by the local magistrates on a charge of causing Ashworth's death on Christmas morning by pushing him over in the street.

After the inquest a special police court was held, and Wakeling was allowed out on bail, the case being adjourned to enable the Chief Constable to communicate with the Director of Public Prosecutions with a view to the withdrawal of the charge.

Evidence was to the effect that the men went to a place of amusement and afterwards quarrelled about two girls. When they met in the street later Ashworth gripped Wakeling by the throat and struck him. Wakeling pushed him away and he fell to the ground and did not get up. The police surgeon said that Ashworth's neck was broken.

ELECTRICAL WORKERS' WAGES.

The Electricity Supply Council of the North-Western Area, which includes about fifty municipal undertakings, have held several meetings, and it was announced at Manchester yesterday that they have failed to agree upon the men's demand for the restoration of the ten per cent. cut on wages, which was made in 1923.

The matter will be referred to the National Joint Industrial Council.

CITY HOSPITAL FOR DISEASES OF THE SKIN.

The Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul in charge of the City Hospital for Diseases of the Skin and Cancer, Holles street, Dublin, beg to convey their grateful thanks for the following Christmas gifts for the intern patients:—

	£	s.	d.
Mrs. Egan, Merrion square	5	0	0
"Microbe"	2	0	0
Major Barry O'Brien	1	1	0
Joseph O'Reilly, Esq.	1	1	0
Rev. Mother, Loreto Convent, Stephen's Green	0	10	0
One of the Neighbours	0	7	0
A Working Boy	0	3	0

Mrs. C. M. O'Brien, a large hamper; Wm. Ireland, Esq., whiskey and wine; McCarthy and Co., fruit; O'Connor, D'Olier street, candles; Mr. Purtlet and Miss Henry, holly and ivy. Several packets of papers and a rabbit handed in at door.

A list of contributions in aid of the funds of the Hospital will be published in a few days.

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ULIDIA'S VICT[...]

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2.0 Race—6 to[...] Tomahawk, 9 to[...] Edgar, 7 to 1 ea[...] 8 to 1 Sandalwo[...]

2.30 Race—9 t[...] 4 to 1 Herne[...] Cloud, 7 to 1 e[...] 1 Emphatic, 10[...] other.

3.0 Race—7 to[...] Ruddyglow, 4 t[...] Bridge, 6 to 1[...] 8 to 1 Connolly[...] Saint, 100 to 8[...]

3.30 Race—11[...] to 2 Cloth of Go[...] 1 each Billy B[...] Ilyrian, 10 to 1[...] other.

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1. 0—Heat[...]
1.30—Frill[...]
2. 0—Glan[...]
2.30—Sign[...]
3. 0—Whit[...]
3.30—Fort[...]
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SPECIAL[...]

Westminster[...] Fortissimo. Do[...] tissimo.

Daily News:[...] tissimo.

Daily Express[...] Frills. Safety b[...]

Daily Mirror[...] Tomahawk.

Daily Graphic[...] and Fortissimo.

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Westminster G[...]	
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GOSSIP FROM THE COURSE.

RACING AT CHELTENHAM.

ULIDIA'S SUCCESS AS A HURDLER.

RATHCOOLE DISAPPOINTS.

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

CHELTENHAM, Monday Night.

The Irish horse, Rathcoole, who was recently bought and brought over here by Mrs. Chester Beatty, did not make too promising a first appearance in the Leckhampton Novices' Steeplechase here this afternoon. He was ridden by F. B. Rees, and there was no doubt about the strong fancy for his chance, for he was backed down to 3 to 1 and started almost as good a favourite as Sancroft. Whatever chance he had was destroyed when he fell four fences from home, but it must be said that he was never jumping well, and a bad blunder nearly put him out at the water. Rathluck was another expatriated Irish runner in this race, and he also was making a first appearance in England over a country. He did better than Rathcoole, for he kept on his legs and finished fourth.

This race was rather easily won by Mr. Graeme Thomson's Sancroft, who beat Hackdene and Santabel by six lengths and eight lengths respectively. Sancroft has been a very useful hurdler, and Mr. Frank Brown, who trains him, has schooled him well over a country, for he never put a foot wrong here, and jumping himself into the lead at the last fence, he won in good style.

ULIDIA'S VICTORY.

It has been a delightful afternoon, and there was a good attendance, which was almost entirely local, for the racing was not such as to induce anyone to make the three-hour journey from London. The going was rather better than was anticipated, considering the immense volume of rain that has fallen recently, and fields were of fair size throughout. The winner of the day was Ulidia, a mare by Ulster King out of Star of Slane, who will be nine years old this week. When she beat Blacking and Glowanna in the Malvern Selling Handicap Hurdle Race it was the first event she had ever won under National Hunt Rules. No one wanted her badly after the race, and her owner, the local trainer, Drury, bought her in for 75 guineas.

Southern Gleam, an animal who has been performing off and on in Ireland for several years, finished alone for the Charlton Handicap Steeplechase, for Cupid's Dart, who was placed second, was thirty lengths behind. Sir George Abercromby did not want her back, and the Cheltenham trainer, C. Piggott, bought her for 180 guineas.

Mr. Pat Dennis won the Amateurs' 'Chase on his father's horse, Rousham, who beat Corfe Castle and Rockmeadow easily. Start Again, who has won several races in Ireland, was ridden by his owner, Sam Bennet, the Newmarket trainer. He fell at the fence which brought Rathcoole to grief. Mr. H. A. Brown won the Amateurs' Hurdle on his own horse, Bruff Battle, who had no difficulty in beating Rackway and False Report.

There was some good betting over the last event, the Evesham Three-Year-Old Hurdle, in which Sinsama, Midnight Folly, Herbert's Choice, and Ormada were all well backed. The last-named won it rather comfortably by staying on better than Midnight Folly, who weakened in the run-in. Ormada is a tubed son of Pommern, who was of little use on the flat when running in Mr. James White's colours.

TO-DAY'S SELECTIONS.

To-morrow we should see fair sport at Newbury, though the going is likely to be heavy. GLANMORE, who was disqualified for boring after finishing first at Derby, should, if his jockey can keep him straight, win the Reading Handicap Steeplechase. Tomahawk, a smart hurdler in the past, is said to have taken kindly to jumping a country, and might be dangerous if he is started here. In the Didcot Handicap Hurdle I like best the chance of KING PIPPIN, while RUDDY GLOW should have no difficulty in winning the United Services' Handicap Steeplechase.

GALTEE MORE.

BETTING FORECAST.

NEWBURY.

1.0 Race—11 to 4 agst. Heathencote, 3 to 1 Henry B., 7 to 2 Con Cregan, 5 to 1 The Heir, 6 to 1 Mask Man, 7 to 1 Commander Smith, 10 to 1 each Kroongart and Turning Point, 100 to 8 any other.

1.30 Race—5 to 2 agst. Frills, 7 to 2 Glen Andred, 9 to 2 Barrackton Lad, 6 to 1 British Warm, 7 to 1 Uncertain, 8 to 1 each Jaeden and Troika, 10 to 1 One Guinea, 100 to 8 Ulster Bay, 100 to 7 any other.

2.0 Race—6 to 4 agst. Glanmore, 3 to 1 Tomahawk, 9 to 2 Master Billie, 6 to 1 Royal Edgar, 7 to 1 each Apple Pie and Guidance, 8 to 1 Sandalwood, 10 to 1 any other.

2.30 Race—9 to 4 Signet, 7 to 2 Detritus, 4 to 1 Herne the Hunter, 6 to 1 Smoke Cloud, 7 to 1 each Scapin and Tuscan, 8 to 1 Emphatic, 10 to 1 Mile End, 100 to 8 any other.

3.0 Race—7 to 4 agst. White Ronald, 3 to 1 Ruddyglow, 4 to 1 Libretto, 5 to 1 Snipe's Bridge, 6 to 1 Lee Bridge, 7 to 1 Navana, 8 to 1 Connolly's Folly, 10 to 1 Slovenly Saint, 100 to 8 any other.

3.30 Race—11 to 8 agst. Fortissimo, 7 to 2 Cloth of Gold, 5 to 1 Tutankhamen, 7 to 1 each Billy Beck and Imprudence, 8 to 1 Illyrian, 10 to 1 Solar Eclipse, 100 to 8 any other.

"FORM" HORSES.

NEWBURY.

1. 0—Heathencote.
1.30—Frills.
2. 0—Glanmore.
2.30—Signet.
3. 0—White Ronald.
3.30—Fortissimo.
DOUBLE:—Frills and Signet (nap).

A Student of Form.

SPECIAL SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Westminster Gazette:—To-day's best — Fortissimo. Double—Ruddy Glow and Fortissimo.

Daily News:—Double—Frills and Fortissimo.

Daily Express:—Double—Heathencote and Frills. Safety bet—Frills (to win).

Daily Mirror:—Double — Frills (nap) and Tomahawk.

Daily Graphic:—Double — Barrackton Lad and Fortissimo.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

Amateur Riders' Hurdle, Cheltenham; Moderate Hurdle, Newbury—Twenty-first.

Wills Selling Steeplechase, Newbury—Canny Knight.

Fullarton Handicap Steeplechase, Bogside; Manchester Handicap Steeplechase, Manchester—Jimmu.

January Handicap Steeplechase, Manchester—Hairpin II.

Newbury Old Year Meetings—Golden.

Newbury engagements, December 30th and 31st—Polizei, Christopher Wren, Manby Gate, The Bleeka.

Plumpton and Gatwick engagements—Deerslayer.

All engagements in Mr. R. B. Davison's name—The Jester.

Cotswold Steeplechase, National Hunt Meeting—Marsin.

All published handicaps—Major Ray.

All engagements—Valtoi, Merry Horn (dead).

All engagements in Sir Mathew Wilson's name—Dorado, Sun Circle.

NEWBURY.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME AND SELECTIONS.

Some good racing is promised at Newbury, though the heavy state of the going may interfere with trainers' plans. The most valuable race of the day, the Reading Steeplechase, has not too good an entry in point of class, and for the winner I shall look to Glanmore, Yorick, or Ardaile. The first-named is undoubtedly a good horse, but he is erratic, and even an accomplished rider like F. B. Rees could not manage to keep him straight at Derby, and he was consequently disqualified. I do not think we have yet seen the best of Ardaile, who will be able to take full advantage of his light weight; but for the winner I shall rely on Yorick, who but for falling would have won at Hurst Park. Flaming Sword ran sufficiently well at Kempton to draw attention to his chance in the Didcot Hurdle. Selections:—

Theale Handicap Steeplechase—Golden Victory.
Yatesbury Hurdle—Troika.
Reading Steeplechase—Yorick.
Didcot Hurdle—Flaming Sword.
United Services' Steeplechase—Lee Bridge.
Juvenile Hurdle—Syrian.

1.0—THEALE SELLING HANDICAP 'CHASE, £200. 2 m. 50 yds. Age. st. lb.

HENRY B. (5lb. ex.) (Mr. B. Fitch) G. Poole 5 12 7
MASK MAN (Col. Fairfax) T. Webb 9 12 2
CRAGGIE ROCK (Mr. Hartigan) C. Young a 11 8
MISS MICAWBER (Mrs. Wallis) Newey a 11 2
HEATHENCOTE (Mr. Parrish) R. Payne a 11 0
TURNING POINT (Major Methven) Powell 8 11 0
CON CREGAN (Mr. H. Brown) Owner a 10 10
(The above have arrived.)
NED CARVER (Mr. Tattersall) G. Poole a 12 9
GOLDEN VICTORY (Mr. Parrish) Martin 7 12 9
THE HEIR (Capt. Wardell) McDougal a 12 4
SILKEN PRINCE (Mrs. Baker) Martin a 12 2
GRISTLE (Mr. E. Holley) R. Gordon 9 12 0
CRAGANOCK (Mr. H. Brown) Owner a 11 12
FLEECY WAVE (Mr. Quinlan) Killalee a 11 11
HAVE A CARE (Major Methven) Powell 9 11 10
TIM (Mr. J. W. Wood) Stanley a 11 8
BRIGHT BLUE (Mr. Wilmot) G. Poole 5 11 8
VOCALION (Mr. Baker) J. Lyall 5 11 6
FLUSHED (Lt.-Col. E. Phillips) R. Payne 8 11 4
TULLY (Mr. H. Liddell) Woodland 9 11 3
COMMANDER SMITH (Mr. Goad) J. Nightingall 9 11 3
OUTLAW (Mr. W. Parsonage) Bullock a 11 2
HELMET (Mr. M. Sunderland) S. Bennet 9 11 2
WILD DUCK (Mr. F. Williams) J. Scott 5 11 2
JIMMY (Mr. Parrott) Gilbert 7 11 1
THE SAINT IV. (Mr. B. Warner) Bletsoe a 11 0
WOODSIDE LAD (Mr. W. Earl) Earl 6 11 0
ROISEL (Miss G. Powney) Kemp 7 10 12
ST. GINGOULPH (Mr. Vicary) Woodman 9 10 12
KROONGART (Mr. H. Brown) W. Payne 6 10 8
LADOMINE (Mr. J. T. Pearce) Kemp 7 10 0
FINE YARN (Mrs. C. Stevens) Stevens 4 10 0
ROMULUS (Major Vigor) W. Nightingall 8 10 0

1.30—YATESBURY SELLING HURDLE RACE of 150 sovs. 2 m. Age. st. lb.

FRILLS (Mr. G. C. Poole) Owner 7 11 12
IRISH CELL (Lt.-Col. Dansey) Faulkner 3 10 7
ULSTER BAY (Mr. W. Warner) Newey 3 10 2
ONE GUINEA (Lord de Broke) Turner 3 10 2
(The above have arrived.)
WERWOLF (Mr. E. Burry) Rayson 5 12 3
ELSON (Mr. F. Lambert) Rimell 7 12 3
MILE END (Sir F. Price) Hackett 8 12 3
BRITISH WARM (Mr. Read) Escott 5 12 3
TROIKA (Mrs. C. Stevens) Stevens 5 12 3
WAFER (Capt. McMullen) Private a 12 3
GRAYSTOWN (Mr. Bennett) Owner a 11 12
JAEDEN (Mr. T. Christy) Orbell 8 11 12
MISTER BLACK (Mr. Colt) Craven 6 11 12
GLEN ANDRED (Mr. E. Crosse) Cundell 5 11 12
IRISH COUSIN (Mr. J. Hackett) Owner 5 11 12
CAMARALZAMAN (Mrs. Haines) Dale 7 11 12
CHARTERED (Mr. Howeson) Nightingall 6 11 12
EASTERN PRINCE (Mr. Hulme) Owner 5 11 12
PHAT (Mr. W. G. Knight) B. Doyle 5 11 12
THRACIAN (Mr. A. R. MacColl) Owner 4 11 12
NONENTITY (Mr. Methven) Powell 5 11 12
VICTOR NOIR (Mrs. G. Morris) Smyth 7 11 12
BARRACKTON LAD (Mr. O'Callaghan) G. Bennett 5 11 12
MILTON (Mr. G. C. Poole) Owner 8 11 12
BROKEN VOW (Mr. Shaw) G. Bennett 5 11 12
UNCERTAIN (Mr. T. A. Edge) Smyth 4 11 7
KATE HARDCASTLE (Mr. Plummer) Sanderson 4 11 7
TOILING TESSIE (Mr. Boam) East 3 10 7
MUSSOLINI (Mr. J. Legge) Bletsoe 3 10 7
MAGENTA (Mrs. A. Saunders) Clement 3 10 7
NORTH VIEW (Mr. Bradford) Owner 3 10 2
POSTAL ORDER (Mr. Clement) Owner 3 10 2
ALIETTE (Mr. T. A. Edge) Poole 3 10 2
ORMADA (Mr. G. C. Lees-Milne) Powell 3 10 2
MONTANO (Mr. F. Parnell) R. Payne 3 10 2

2.0—READING STEEPLECHASE of 500 sovs. 2 m. 50 yds. Age st. lb.

GLANMORE (Lord Ednam) M'Dougal 4 11 3
MASTER BILLIE (Mr. Parsonage) Whitaker 5 10 8
(The above have arrived.)
DORADO (Sir M. Wilson) Nightingall 8 12 12
PICTBEEN (Mr. W. Philip) W. Philip 6 12 0
LADY BELGIAN (Mrs. K. Fenwick) Westmorland 5 11 12
ROYAL EDGAR (Mr. Hirst) Hartigan 6 11 12
YORICK (Mr. J. Harris) Hyams 6 11 9
RATHLUCK (Lord Londesborough) Brown 6 11 2
TOMAHAWK (Mr. M. Weil) Nightingall 6 11 2
SANCROFT (Mr. J. Thompson) F. Brown 5 10 13
THE UNKNOWN QUANTITY (Mr. W. Scott) Private a 10 11
SANDALWOOD (Mr. Kinahan) Bletsoe 5 10 8
GUIDANCE (Mr. O. W. Rayner) East 5 10 8
APPLE PIE (Sir E. Wills) De Winton 5 10 8
ARDOON'S PRIDE (Mr. Stanley) Haslings 4 10 7
ARDAILE (Lady Edgar) Whitaker 4 10 7
STAR DONOVAN (Mr. Quinlan) Killalee 4 10 7
AM TRUE (Mr. E. Robson) Owner 4 10 7
CROSS HANDS (Lord Westmorland) Owner 4 10 7

2.30—DIDCOT HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of £250. 2 m. Age st. lb.

SIGNET (Mr. Wilmot) G. Poole 5 12 7
(The above has arrived.)
BODDAM (Mr. Tennent) Turner 3 12 10
EMPHATIC (Mrs. McKenna) M'Kenna 6 12 9
FLAMING SWORD (Lady Watts) Poole 6 12 3
FIRST MAGIC (Mrs. Peel) Poole 4 12 1
GLEN ANDRED (Mr. Cross) Cundell 5 11 13
NANE SNUGGHR (Mr. Rayner) East 5 11 13
ARGO (Lord Londesborough) Coulthwaite 6 11 13
DETRITUS (Mrs. D'A. Baker) Martin 4 11 11
BARRACKTON LAD (Mr. O'Callaghan) G. Bennett 5 11 10
HERNE THE HUNTER (Maj. Werner) Weatherill 5 11 7
RATHCOOLE (Mrs. Beatty) Hammond 7 11 6
SCAPIN (Mr. A. H. Boutall) Clement 5 11 5
MILE END (Sir F. Price) Hackett 8 11 5
SMOKE CLOUD (Col. Keyes) Martin 5 11 5
TULLYLOST (Mrs. Putnam) Poole 6 11 3
PERAHARA (Mr. Collins) G. Bennett 5 11 3
SCALINO (Mr. Thornton) J. T. Dodd 5 11 1
KING PIPPIN (Sir F. Price) Gilbert 5 11 1
WOOLLEY BRIDGE (Mr. Rhodes) Coldbeck 5 11 0
CHARLIE WISE (Mr. Saunders) Martin 7 10 13
ALL AWAY (Mrs. Howeson) Nightingall 4 10 12
CROISEUR (Mr. Larkin) Larkin 5 10 11
THE VILLAGER (Mr. Smith) Dale 6 10 11
ROI DU CIEL (Mr. Goold) F. Archer 5 10 11
SIMON'S LIGHT (Mrs. Jones) Newey 5 10 11
ENVOY (Mr. H. A. Brown) Brown 7 10 10
MAXIMUS (Lt.-Col. Dansey) Faulkner 4 10 10
BATTLER CRUISER (Mr. Mealings) Butchers 4 10 7
TUSCAN (Miss Tyler) Larkin 6 10 3
MAY-EVE (Mr. F. Parnell) R. Payne 4 10 1
MARTINIQUE (Mr. Halford) H. Law 7 10 1
OH DICK (Mrs. Stevens) Stevens 5 10 0
DRIVE ON (Sir A. Bull) Woodland 5 10 0

3.0—UNITED SERVICES' HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 175 sovs. 3 m. Age st. lb.

WHITE RONALD (Mr. R. M'Alpine) Poole a 11 13
RUDDYGLOW (Mr. W. Sankey) Brown 6 11 11
CONNOLLY'S FOLLY (Mr. Deterding) Payne 6 11 5
(The above have arrived.)
DWARF OF THE FOREST (Mr. Kennard) S. Bennet 7 12 11
THE BLEEKA (Mr. M'Kevitt) Poole 7 12 9
SNIPE'S BRIDGE (Mr. Thompson) R. Thompson a 12 7
ROUSHAM (Mr. Dennis) D. Harrison 9 12 7
COLESTOWN (Mr. H. Deterding) Payne 9 12 5
GOOD POINTS (Mr. W. Sankey) Brown 9 12 4
GEM (Maj. C. W. M. Norrie) Bennett 8 12 4
LEE BRIDGE (Mr. R. G. Shaw) Withington 7 12 2
THROWN IN (Mrs. Sandey) Sanday 8 12 0
DUKE'S ENCHANTMENT (Mr. Fenton) Private 6 12 0
POTHEEN (Lord Londesborough) Coulthwaite 9 11 12
NAVANA (Baroness Zouche) Law a 11 12
LIBRETTO (Capt. A. E. Grant) Payne 9 11 12
SLOVENLY SAINT (Capt. Speed) Jackson 7 11 8
ST. ENDAS (Miss O. Black) Stanley a 11 7
CRAGANOCK (Mr. H. Brown) Brown a 11 6
PICTURE HALL (Mr. Lees) Withington a 11 4
ARDONIAN (Maj. Mocatta) S. Bennett 6 11 0
RED EMPRESS (Mr. W. Shell) Gore 7 10 10
CLONMEL (Mr. F. Groves) Mosley 7 10 7
MULTUM IN PARVO (Mr. Peake) Woodman 9 10 7
HOPEFUL (Mrs. F. Spencer) Spencer 9 10 7

3.30—JUVENILE HURDLE RACE of £150. Three years old. 1½ m. st. lb.

CLOTH OF GOLD (Mr. Baylis) T. Leader 11 8
PROSPICE (Maj. D. Dixon) Gore 10 10
ILLYRIAN (Sir M. M'Alpine) Poole 10 10
SYNCOPATE (Mr. J. Hutton) Poole 10 5
(The above have arrived.)
GOLDEN (Mr. A. Boutall, jun.) Higgs 11 8
IMPRUDENCE (Mrs. Cornelius) Larkin 11 8
SYRIAN (Mr. J. L. Dugdale) H. Escott 11 3
FORTISSIMO (Mr. E. Bates) W. Payne 11 3
SURE GAIN (Mr. H. L. Cottrill) Spittle 10 10
BLUE RUIN (Mr. J. S. Courtauld) A. Law 10 10
BILLY BECK (Mr. W. L. Green) Gwilt 10 10
LADY ZERO (Mr. H. J. Greville) Smyth 10 10
INDISCRETION (Mr. W. A. Higgs) Owner 10 10
SOLON THE PHILOSOPHER (Mr. Ioannou) W. Nightingall 10 10
PASHA (Mr. S. Joel) Westmorland 10 10
POLIN (Mr. S. Joel) Westmorland 10 10
HIGH COURT (Mrs. F. Lloyd) O. Anthony 10 10
POLIZEI (Mr. W. H. M'Alpine) Poole 10 10
DUPLICATE (Mrs. M'Dougal) M'Dougal 10 10
MAFOOTA (Mrs. H. Nugent) Nugent 10 10
PHILIPPI (Mr. H. Cottrill) Spittle 10 10
SWAN MATCH (Mr. Sharples) Cundell 10 10
SOLAR ECLIPSE (Mr. D. Shuter) Smyth 10 10
TUTANKHAMEN (Mr. Stobart) Bell 10 10
HARD COURT (Mr. Stobart) Bell 10 10
ORMLINE (Mr. C. Barlow) Read 10 5
FINAL CHOICE (Mr. Denson) Hyams 10 5
SOUTHOVER (Sir H. Bird) Hammond 10 5
GOLDSMITH (Mrs. Brownlee) Higgs 10 5
PENDOR (Sir E. Edgar) Whitaker 10 5
LEYBOURNE (Mr. Fothergill) Clement 10 5
MILL CRAFT (Mr. R. Gore) Owner 10 5
LACKEY (Mr. J. Hammond) Gilbert 10 5
PHALORIA (Lt.-Col. Hodge) W. Nightingall 10 5
PREFACE (Mr. J. Holmes) D. Harrison 10 5
TRETES (Mr. V. H. Jones) Private 10 5
RHETOR (Mr. Mather) Larkin 10 5
QUENTIN DURWARD (Mr. Newman) Piggott 10 5
CHRISTOPHER WREN (Mr. Peel) Poole 10 5
RED LANCE (Mr. Rayson) T. Rayson 10 5
PALERMO (Mr. Rayson) Owner 10 5
SURVIVOR (Mr. Reardon) Owner 10 5
STARTLED (Mr. G. Read) R. Payne 10 5
CHAIN HILL (Mr. Richen) East 10 5
NILE PRINCE (Mr. J. Smith) Bletsoe 10 5
JASPEAR (Sir S. Watts) F. Scott 10 5
GRANPAU (Ld. Westmorland) Owner 10 5
GAMBIO (Mr. Whitehead) Nightingall 10 5
ROCKING HORSE (Sir E. Wills) De Winton 10 5

CHELTENHAM RESULTS.

1.0—CHARLTON SELLING H'CAP. STEEPLECHASE of 150 sovs. 3 m.
Sir George Abercromby's b. m. SOUTHERN GLEAM, by Southannan—Red Glow, 8, 11-6 G. Goswell 1
Capt. T. McDougal's CUPID'S DART, 10, 11-9 J. M. Neill 2
Maj. D. M. Methven's THE ANTELOPE II., a, 10-0 W. Parvin 3
Also ran—Ragman (Gurney), Nothing On (Trudgill), Tally-Ho (Foster), Bugler (Truslove). Off 1.1. (Winner trained by Jackson.)
Betting—9 to 4 agst. SOUTHERN GLEAM, 7 to 2 Cupid's Dart, 4 to 1 Ragman, 5 to 1 Nothing On, 6 to 1 Bugler, 7 to 1 THE Antelope, 10 to 1 Tally-Ho.
Won by thirty lengths; a bad third.

1.30—MALVERN SELLING H'CAP. HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. 2 m.
Mr. W. E. Jones's b. m. ULIDIA, by Ulster King—Star of Slane, a, 10-9 J. Brown 1
Mr. M. B. Savill's BLACKING, 7, 11-7 J. Anthony 2
Sir George Abercromby's GLOWANNA, 7, 11-11 J. Goswell 3
Also ran—Munster Bridge (A. J. Smith), Poobah (T. James), Jack Role (Mr. Stringer), Oh Help (Stott), By Proxy (S. James), Orlando Dondo (Trudgill), Maduro (Mr. P. Dennis), Barbarus (E. Foster), Gramophone (Speck). Off 1.31. (Winner trained by Drury.)
Betting—5 to 4 agst. Poobah, 7 to 2 Glowanna, 7 to 1 Blacking, 8 to 1 each Oh Help and Jack Role, 100 to 8 ULIDIA or any other.
Won by three-quarters of a length; a length.

2.0—CHELTENHAM AMATEUR RIDERS' HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 200 sovs. About 2 m. 100 yards.
Mr. H. D. Dennis's ch. g. ROUSHAM, by Vedanta—Caspia, 9, 11-11 Mr. P. Dennis 1
Mrs. McCowen's CORFE CASTLE, a, 11.10 Mr. D. Thomas 2
Mr. Stewart's ROCKMEADOW, 6, 12-1 Owner 3
Also ran—Start Again (Owner), King Maker (Owner). Off 2.0. (Winner trained by D. Harrison.)
Betting—7 to 4 agst ROUSHAM, 9 to 4 Rockmeadow, 3 to 1 Start Again, 10 to 1 any other.
Won by five lengths; eight lengths. Start Again fell.

2.30—LECKHAMPTON NOVICES' STEEPLECHASE of 200 sovs. About 2 m. 100 yards.
Mr. J. Graeme Thomson's b. h. SANCROFT, by Santair—Time Flies, 5, 11-4 E. Foster 1
Mr. B. Stanley's HACKDENE, 4, 10-10 J. Anthony 2
Mr. H. Liddell's SANTABEL, 5, 11-11 F. Gurney 3
Also ran—Rathcoole (F. Rees), Jim Langford (G. Goswell), Simon's Craft (Mr. Lyster), Macor (Stanbridge), Relay (Mr. D. Thomas), Rathluck (Mr. H. Brown), St. Caradoc (Mr. P. Dennis), Dinah Morris (Mr. Bisgood), Tyrolean (Trudgill), Governor (J. Mahoney, sen.), Jeanegee (F. Mason). Off 2.31. (Winner trained by F. Brown.)
Betting—9 to 4 agst. SANCROFT, 3 to 1 Rathcoole, 5 to 1 Hackdene, 6 to 1 each Santabel and Jeanegee, 8 to 1 Rathluck, 10 to 1 Tyrolean, 100 to 7 any other.
Won by four lengths; six lengths. Governor and Rathcoole fell.

3.0—AMATEUR RIDERS' HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. 2 m.
Mrs. H. A. Brown's b. g. BRUFF BATTLE, by Battle-axe, dam by Succoth, 5, 11-0 Mr. H. Brown 1
Lord Coventry's RACKWAY, 6, 11-8 Mr. D. O'Brien 2
Mr. J. Holmes's FALSE REPORT, 8, 12-2 Mr. P. Dennis 3
Also ran—Bridgewater Arms (Owner), Goldendale (Major Bogue), Waterford Glass II. (Mr. Tinkler), Spinel (Mr. D. Williams), Meltonic (Mr. W. Jones), King's Pleasure (Mr. D. Thomas), Conciliation (Mr. D. Stewart), Windcote (Mr. H. Deterding). Off 3.3. (Winner trained by H. Brown.)
Betting—5 to 4 on BRUFF BATTLE, 6 to 1 each agst. Rackway, False Report and Waterford Glass II., 8 to 1 Goldendale, 10 to 1 any other.
Won by six lengths; eight lengths. Meltonic was pulled up.

3.30—EVESHAM 3-Y.O. HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. 1½ m.
Mr. G. C. Lees-Milne's ch. c. ORMADA, by Pommern—Boda, 11.8 W. Parvin 1
Mr. H. Stokes's MIDNIGHT FOLLY, 11-8 A. Smyth 2
Mr. W. J. Gresson's SINSAMA, 10-5 A. J. Smith 3
Also ran—L.L. (C. Johnson), Herbert's Choice (E. Foster), His Lordship (Stott), Flaith Mor (J. Goswell), Hat Rock (F. Mason), Anchorite (Trudgill), Fair Lass (G. Goswell), Exclamation (Speck), Preface (D. Behan). Off 3.31. (Winner trained by Powell.)
Betting—9 to 4 agst. Sinsama, 5 to 2 Herbert's Choice, 4 to 1 each Midnight Folly and ORMADA, 100 to 8 any other.
Won by three-quarters of a length; four lengths.

COURSING.

TRIM MEETING—TO-DAY.

THE DRAW.

Judge—Mr. M. Walsh. Slipper—M. Horan.

BREEMOUNT STAKES—For 16 puppies. Winner, £16; second, £6; two dogs, £2 each.

Mr. T. Coleman's Niblock agst. Mr. M. Keane's Lance's Delight.
Miss A. Hope-Johnstone's Commandant Vine agst. Mr. Gelsman's Great Adventure.
Mr. M. Keane's Schoolboy agst. Mr. J. J. Flanagan's Full Freedom.
Mr. P. Flynn's Double K. agst. Mr. J. Bruton's Beaming Lad.
Mrs. Aherne's All's Well agst. Mr. J. Martin's Merry Laugh.
Mr. M. Murphy's Irish Freedom agst. Miss Niblock's Nyusa.
Mr. T. Griffin's Griffinstown Boy agst. Mr. E. Flynn's Dev.
Mr. J. J. Long's Lento agst. Mr. J. Young's Chanticleer.

ILEX STAKES—For 16 all ages. Winner, £25; second, £11; two dogs, £3 each.

Mr. T. Weir's Wee Speed agst. Mr. T. Sherry's Commandant McKeon.
Miss McDonald's Aurora agst. Mr. W. Dempsey's Bawn Og.
Mr. W. Duffy's Wee Connie agst. Mr. J. Clynes's Smiling Bess.
Mr. M. Nugent's No Change agst. Mr. J. Dunne's Silver Harp.
Mr. P. A. Considine's Flying Lill agst. Mr. T. O'Neill's O.C.
Mr. J. Gowing's Grandy agst. Mr. J. E. Corcoran's What's That.
Mr. M. Kiernan's Prairie Blossom agst. Mr. G. Irwin's Tract Isle.
Mr. J. Barry's Glorious Belle agst. Mr. G. Yeates's Column Dodger.

UMBERSTOWN STAKES—For 16 all ages. Winner, £16; second, £6; two dogs, £2 each.

Mr. J. Young's Hannibal agst. Mr. M. Kelleghan's Merry Might.
Mr. J. Halpenny's Half Wing agst. Mr. P. Conlan's Clotted Cream.
Mr. J. Crowley's Shaunkree agst. Mr. O. Doherty's Oldcastle Brigade.
Mr. E. J. Burke's Beauty's Daughter agst. Mr. G. Daly's Turolore.
Mr. J. Smith's Our Bomb agst. Mr. T. Carroll's O.B.U.
Mrs. T. Aherne's Another Dail agst. Mr. J. Scott's High Born.
Mr. J. Stone's Wind Up agst. Mr. J. Barrington's Irish Mot.
Mr. J. Hope's Strange Star agst. Mr. M. Ryan's Money Spinner.

Meet at Laracor at 9 o'clock. First brace in slips at 9.30.

BOMBAY-LONDON CYCLE RIDE.

BERNE, Monday.

Mr. F. J. Devar, Scoutmaster of the 12th Bombay Scout troops, who is making a world tour on his bicycle, has arrived here. Before leaving Switzerland he proposes to traverse with his cycle all the most important Alpine passes.

HUNTING.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

THE WARD UNION.

December.	Meet.	Hour.
Wednesday, 31st	Flathouse	1.30
January.		
Saturday, 3rd	Donaghmore X Roads	1.30

THE KILDARE.

December.		
To-day	19-Mile Stone	11. 0
January.		
Thursday, 1st	Dollardstown Gate	11. 0
Saturday, 3rd	Enfield	11. 0

THE MEATH.

December.		
To-day	Kilbride	11. 0
January.		
Friday, 2nd	Kilmoon	11. 0
Saturday, 3rd	Brittas	11. 0

THE KILDARE HOUNDS.

A FINE DAY'S SPORT ON BOXING DAY.

As we approach the advent of a new year we hope that those who govern the movements of each motor car out on hunting days will consider the continual damage they are bound to do, and desist from following, which has become a modern curse of fox-hunting. The principle offenders are very often motor cars full of grooms, etc., and if the owners of such cars were made aware of the procedure no doubt they would take steps to stop it, and prevent many a good hunt being spoilt. It is heartbreaking to see a fox pointing over a good line suddenly headed back by a motor car on some road right in his path.

The overnight hurricane on the 22nd was no doubt a spoil-sport on the following morning, when the meet was at Black Church. Though the weather improved in the forenoon, it broke badly later, and the only foxes found were in Bishopscourt, where a lot of demesne work occupied the day.

A large field both mounted and dismounted assembled at Narraghmore Village on Boxing Day, and came in for a capital day's sport resembling the high traditions of the South country in days gone by. Narraghmore Wood (from which the "cloud" of starlings which used to inhabit it has happily disappeared) was the first draw, and held at least a brace. The dog pack hunted found it several times with glorious music before they forced a fox out at the Ballytore end, and settled down eventually to run him well, by the Glebe House, over the Crookstown road and the heavy bottoms to Nine-Tree-Hill, which they crossed, and at an increased speed ran on, with the Green lane on the right and also Mullaghmast Hill, to ground between Rathside and Birtown, two covers owned and well cared for by Mr. Fennell (a great supporter of fox-hunting). The time was just twenty-five minutes. The usual draw was now varied, and Spratstown next called on. It also held several foxes, the selected giving an excellent twenty minutes down the hill towards Mat Couran's, and then right-handed along the bottoms straight to the old covert at Ballycore, where an open badger earth was the *finale* to a most enjoyable day, as Ballynure, drawn later, did not hold.

A gale and rain again set in on Friday night, and developed into such a deluge on the following morning for the meet at Celbridge to finish the week that everyone was thoroughly drenched before even St. Wolstan's was drawn. There were plenty of foxes in Castletown, one of which took us to near Leixlip Castle, where he got in. This practically finished the day, as, after a second visit to Castletown, hounds went home.

LOUTH HOUNDS.

Tuesday, 23rd, Mellifont.—A fox found in Louth Hill was hunted into Mellifont, and hounds hunted him hard with a grand scent for two hours all round the place, finally marking him to ground in a rabbit hole. Found next in Townley Hall, and after a lot of demesne hunting this fox was also marked to ground, but was evicted and killed.

Saturday, 27th, Manfieldstown Cross.—There were several foxes in Braganstown, but nothing could be made of the selected one when he finally broke. There was a brace in Woodtown, and one was hunted very fast towards Bawn, then left-handed on the road up to Castlebellingham Station, where he got to ground after a flying twenty minutes. Although Artoney bog was very wet, it held a fox all right, who was hunted slowly at first by Drumgoolan to Mr. Neary's bog, and through this on to Stonetown. Then bearing left-handed, hounds ran on to Drumgouna. Here they started to run fast, and came back by Mr. Larney's farm into Artoney. Through this they ran, and leaving Mullacrew village on their left, hunted up to Rathbrist, where they were stopped in the dusk, after a good hunt of an hour and fifteen minutes.

CARLOW HOUNDS.

CHANGE OF MEET.

Saturday, January 3rd, Tullow Station, instead of Kellistown.

QUEEN'S CO. HOUNDS.

CHANGE OF MEETS.

Friday, January 2nd, Kilmorony, instead of Timahoe; Friday, January 9th, Timahoe, instead of Kilmorony.

GOLF.

CLUB NOTICES AND REPORTS.

SUTTON.—St. Stephen's Day—Stroke Competition—J. O'Connor (22), 67; J. B. Butler (3), 76; P. J. Pentony (10), 76; P. W. Maguire (11), 76. 9-Hole Mixed Foursomes—Mrs. Geary and T. J. Geary (6), 39; Miss F. O'Meara and J. F. Garvey (9), 39. Saturday—Monthly Cup, bogey.

GRANGE (Ladies' Branch).—The January monthly medal will be played for on Thursday, 8th. Draws as usual.

DUN LAOGHAIRE.—The course will be open for play to-day, weather permitting. (Ladies' Branch).—January medal postponed from 1st to 2nd. Draws at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

HOWTH.—St. Stephen's Day four-ball—Won by J. Middleton and C. Byrne, 3 down. Saturday—Club cup, 10th qualifying round; 9 holes, strokes.

ROBIN HOOD.—St. Stephen's Day—Stroke competition—P. Halton, 84 net; C. Shine, 85 net.

ROYAL CO. DOWN.—F. A. McMullan won the bogey competition on Saturday with 3 down. T. J. Ferguson (4) and S. D. Lambert (13) tied for second prize with 6 down. S. D. Lambert won the tie of the stroke competition beating W. Charleton.

CILLDARA.—Prize presented by Mrs. Church:—Mrs. Cosgrove, 44 (10); Mrs. Coady, 45 (6); Mrs. Faichney, 45 (12). Club prize won by Miss Edgehill.

W. HUNTER TURNS PROFESSIONAL.

Mr. Martin Leach, of the Greens Committee of the Brentwood Country Club, states that W. I. Hunter, who won the British Amateur Championship in 1921, has turned professional, and will take up his duties with the Brentwood Club on January 1st. W. I. Hunter is the son of the veteran professional at Deal.

RUGBY.

NEW ZEALANDERS' JOURNEY HOME.

The New Zealanders, on their return from France to England after the match at Toulouse, proceed to Liverpool and sail for Canada in the C.P.R. steamship Mont Laurier, on January 24th. On arrival in Canada they travel across to British Columbia. They play at Victoria on February 11th, and at Vancouver on February 14th and 21st, and probably engage in an exhibition game on February 18th. They leave San Francisco on February 25th in the Union Company's steamship Tahiti, arriving at Wellington on March 16th. The injury to Clark's leg is not serious, and that player and White, who was hurt in the match at Portsmouth, will both be available for the contest with England, at Twickenham, next Saturday.

Palmerston Schoolboys v. Catholic University School, at Milltown, at 3 p.m.—Palmerston Schoolboys—W. Coulter; P. Hussey, A. W. Whiteside, P. Ewen, H. C. Connolly; G. J. Boucher, D. Chance; M. E. Bardon, V. B. Kerr, W. Davies, L. Waddell, D. Harpur, S. Halliday, T. Murphy, F. Walsh.

Lansdowne Schoolboys v. Clontarf Schoolboys, at Lansdowne road, 3 p.m. to-day. Lansdowne—Martin; Hewat, Grealy, Gilligan, Hammond; Robinson, Cremin; Plunket, Cremin, Marnan, Wright, Barry, Gargan, Ahern, Allison.

Wanderers II. v. Enniscorthy, at Enniscorthy, on Thursday, the 1st January. Train leaves Harcourt street at 6 o'clock p.m. to-morrow. Wanderers II.—J. H. Doran; K. M. B. Phelps, C. F. Higginbotham, H. Rose, H. Hillyard; H. G. Henry, C. L. Jacob; R. W. Hannagan, R. W. Poots, F. G. McCarthy, T. H. Dockrell, T. Harran, F. W. Smyth, J. E. Cairnes, G. H. Henry.

CROSS-COUNTRY.

DUBLIN CITY HARRIERS.

On Saturday afternoon next club handicaps of 100 and 300 yards and one mile flat, and a boys' race of 300 yards, will be run in Croke Park, by kind permission. The first race is timed to start at 3 o'clock, and members should attend not later than 2.30 p.m.

The annual re-union of the club will be held at the Red Bank Restaurant on Saturday next, at 6.30 p.m. Messrs. Attaboy, Farren and O'Connor, have kindly consented to contribute to the entertainment, and an enjoyable evening is anticipated.

BOXING.

AT THE RING.

At The Ring, Blackfriars, London, last night, Simon Rosman, the hard-hitting Dutch welterweight, gained an easy victory over Joe Davis, of Hoxton, in a fifteen-round contest. In the fifth round Davis took two counts of nine, and on again being sent to the boards the referee stopped the fight in favour of Rosman.

SELECTIONS FOR NEWBURY MEETING TO-DAY.

PAPER.	1.0 RACE.	1.30 RACE.	2.0 RACE.	2.30 RACE.	3.0 RACE.	3.30 RACE.
Irish Times	Golden Victory.	Troika.	Yorick.	Flaming Sword.	Lee Bridge.	Syrian.
S. Life and Sportsman	Mask Man.	Barrackton Lad.	Royal Edgar.	King Pippin.	Lee Bridge.	Fortissimo.
Man on the Spot	Heathencote.*	Barrackton Lad.	Glanmore.	Signet.	Connolly's Folly.	Fortissimo.
Westminster Gazette	Henry B.	Barrackton Lad; if ab., Frills.	Glanmore.	King Pippin.	Ruddy Glow.	Fortissimo.
Daily News	Henry B.	Frills.*	Glanmore.	Signet.	White Ronald.	Fortissimo.
Daily Express	Heathencote, next best.	Frills.*	Master Billie.	King Pippin; if ab., Signet.	Snipe's Bridge.	Fortissimo.
Daily Mirror	The Heir.	Frills.	Tomahawk.	Smoke Cloud.	White Ronald.	Fortissimo.
Daily Graphic	Mask Man.	Barrackton Lad.*	Royal Edgar.	Signet.	Libretto.	Fortissimo.
Star	The Heir.	Frills.	Royal Edgar.*	King Pippin.	Craganock.	Fortissimo.
Evening News	Heathencote.	Milton.	Yorick.	King Pippin.*	Snipe's Bridge.	Fortissimo.
Evening Standard	Golden Victory.	Barrackton Lad.	Glanmore.	Boddam.	Snipe's Bridge.	Syrian.
Daily Mail	Heathencote.	Frills.	Yorick.	King Pippin.	Libretto.	Fortissimo.
Times	Golden Victory.	Poole's selected.	Tomahawk.	Signet.	Libretto.	Tutankhamen.

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2 Straight Beaver Stoles, in finest quality skins, showing great depth of fur; beautifully lined fancy brocade. Length 63 inches, width 11 inches. Usual price, 35 guineas. Sale Price 17½ GNS.

2 Handsome Skunk Stoles, in beautiful soft and silky skins worked into strands. Lined satin to tone. Length 2 yards, width 12 inches. Usual price, 45 guineas. Sale Price 22½ GNS.

Special value in Short Suede Sports Coats, Mole, Green, Beaver, Brown, Amethyst, and Rose. Usual price, 5½ and 6½ guineas. Sale Price 4½ GNS.

Leather Motor Coats, lined beaverette and fleece, exceptionally good quality. Usual price, 5½ and 7 guineas. Sale Price 4½ GNS.

50 Good Velour and Tweed Coats, fur trimmed and lined throughout. Usual prices ranging from 10½ guineas. To clear 8 GNS.

Odd Coats in good quality velour, trimmed fur, lined silk. Usual prices, 4½ to 7 guineas. Sale Price 63/-

Schappe Silk Crepe-de-Chine—Fine quality washing Schappe Silk Crepe-de-Chine, fine crepe weave, finished beautifully soft and bright. An excellent Lingerie Silk, in a large range of delightful colours, including Pink, Sky, Turquoise, Apricot, Ivory, Flesh, Mushroom, Salmon Pink, Brown, Lemon, Vieux Rose, Saxe, New Red, Almond, etc., double width. This quality is usually sold at 4/11 per yard. Our Special Sale Price, per yard 3/11

Marocain Satin, with crepe back, double width, in Sky, Lilac, Grey, Nil, Vieux Rose, Cinnamon, Tan, Saxem Pink, Jade, etc. Special Sale Price, per yard 7/11

ALL WOOL VELOUR, 54 inches wide, in Grey, Brown, Navy, Black, etc. Usual price, 8/11 per yard. Sale Price, per yard 6/11

Fancy Coating Velour, 54 inches wide, the season's novelty, in Rose, Blue, Tan and Jade ground, with Grey Cord Terry effect. Usual price, 11/9 per yard. Sale Price, per yard 5/11

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STRIPE TEDDY, 52/54 inches wide, in Tan, Brown, Grey, Black, etc. Usual Price, 8/11 per yard. Special Sale Price, per yard 3/11

All Wool Stockinette—A fine soft texture knitted fabric, made from high grade Botany wool, smooth and full in feel. Suitable for either close-fitting or loose draping garments, dresses, jumpers, etc., and especially recommended for all kinds of juvenile wear. Available in useful colourings, 34 inches wide. Sale Price, per yard 6/6

100 pairs Bleached Cotton Twill Sheets, good strong quality. Size 90" x 70". Sale Price per pair 9/11

100 pairs bleached Cotton Sheets, linen finished, for large double beds. Size 108" x 80", absolutely pure finish, made from the finest Egyptian yarn, snow white. Usual Price, 27/6 per pair. Sale Price, per pair 21/6

CRETONNE—500 yards fancy flowered Cretonne for washing, loose covers, in light and dark grounds, 36" wide. Usual Price, 1/11 per yard. Sale Price, per yard 1/4½

CURTAINS—100 pairs Lace Curtains in a very good quality net Scroll and flowered designs, with good heavy lace border, 3 yards long. Usual Price, 12/6 per pair. Sale Price per pair 8/11

TEA CLOTHS—Special offer Swiss Embroidered Afternoon Tea Cloths, 32" x 32". Usual Price, 1/11 each. Sale Price, each 1/6½

LONGCLOTH—Horrockses Longcloth, 33" wide, a beautiful finished cloth, pure, and free from dressing. Usual Price, 1/3 per yard. Sale Price, per yard 10½D.

Nursery design cottons for Children's Overalls, etc., printed very strong quality casement cloth, fast washing colours, 36" wide. Usual Price, 1/11 per yard. Sale Price, per yard 1/6

Exceptional value fancy printed Cotton Marocain, splendid material for ladies' frocks, house dresses, and overalls, in Helio, Grey, Brown, Saxe, and Fawn grounds, with fancy coloured designs, 38" wide. Usual Price, 1/11 per yard. Sale Price per yard 1/4½

NIGHTDRESSES—Ladies' warm Nightdresses, made in a thick winceyette, with round neck and three-quarter sleeves, in Pink, Mauve, and Sky. Sale Price, each 8/11

Ladies' Cream Winceyette Nightdresses, with round neck and long sleeves, also with V neck and short sleeves, large sizes. Usual price, 8/11 each. Sale Price each 6/11

Ladies' Coloured Silk and Satin Underskirts, in Pink, Sky, and Cream, slightly soiled. Usual price, 19/6 to 25/6 each. Sale Price, each 11 and 12/11

JUMPERS—100 Ladies' Fancy Silk Jumpers, in stripes and multi colourings, cross-over and plain straight shape. Usual prices, 10/6, 12/11, and 15/6 each. Sale Price, each 6/11

Odd lot Ladies' Wool Jumpers, all different designs, slightly soiled. Usual price, 12/6 to 35/6 each. Sale Price, each 6/11

BLOUSES—Ladies' Schappe Over Blouses with ¾ sleeve and Peter Pan collar, neatly trimmed imitation Guipure lace. Sale Price, each 14/11

CARDIGANS—Ladies' full size All-Wool Cardigans, plain and ribbed, with pockets; in Tan, Nigger, Lemon, and White only; slightly soiled. Sale Price, each 8/11

Amazing Bargain in Ladies' Sports Hose, 6/3 rib, Cash., and fancy over checks, full fashioned with very strong reinforced feet, suitable for sports wear. Usual price, 7/11 to 14/11 per pair. Sale Price per pair 6/11

Good Value in Ladies' All-Wool Cash. Hose, seamless feet, with fashioned backs and strong suspender tops. All sizes in Black and shades of Navy, Dark Brown, Nude, Mid Grey, Light Grey, and Mole. Usual price, 4/11 per pair. Sale Price, per pair 3/11

Splendid Offer in Ladies' Fine Quality Silk Hose, full fashioned, with strong mercerised suspender tops and reinforced heels and toes, all sizes, in Black, White, and shades of Nigger, Tan, Navy, Mole, Chamois, Naturelle, Suede, Silver, Coating, Golden, Fawn, and Toney Red. Usual price, 5/11 per pair. Sale Price, per pair 3/11

Wonderful value in Ladies' 2-Dome Tan Cape Wool Lined Gloves (Dent's make). Usual price, 12/11 per pair. Sale Price, per pair 7/11

Exceptional value in Ladies' 2-button (pique sewn) Doeskin Gloves, in shades of Grey and Beaver. Usual price, 6/11 per pair. Sale Price, per pair 3/11

Extra good value in Ladies' 2-button Tan (hand sewn) Velour Kid Gloves, very reliable skins. Usual price, 8/11 per pair. Sale Price, per pair 4/11

Special value in Ladies' Pull-on Elastic Wrist Fabric Gloves, with coloured silkette lining, in shades of Beaver, Grey, and Pastel. Usual price, 4/11 per pair. Sale Price, per pair 1/11

Ladies' Patent Shoes, 2 bars, short toe caps, military heels. Sizes 3 to 7 and half sizes. Usual price, 21/- per pair. Sale Price, per pair 16/11

Ladies' Patent Shoes, broad bar, Cuban heels. Sizes 3 to 7 and half sizes. Usual price, 21/- per pair. Sale Price, per pair 16/11

Ladies' Patent Shoes, ankle straps, Louis heels. Usual price, 22/6 per pair. Sale Price, per pair 18/11

A Wonderful clearing line of Men's All Wool Golf Stockings, winter weight, in shades of Brown and Grey, Fancy Tops. Sizes 10", 10½" and 11". Usual price, 8/11 per pair. Sale Price, per pair 3/11

Men's All Pure Wool Undervests and Pants in nice medium winter weight, guaranteed unshrinkable. Made from very fine wool that will not irritate the skin. Stocked in every size. Sale Price each Garment 5/11

Men's Real Velour Hats, in shades of Grey, Fawn and Brown, all latest shapes. Silk lined. Usual price, 25/-. Sale Price 12/6

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CROYDON AIR SMASH.

INQUEST ON THE VICTIMS.

The inquest upon the eight victims of the Croydon aeroplane disaster, which took place on Christmas Eve, opened at Croydon yesterday.

The Coroner said that it might comfort the relatives to know that there was reason to believe that they were all unconscious either before they reached the ground or immediately upon impact.

Dr. R. L. Brontë, pathologist, whose evidence was gruesome, detailed his examination of the bodies. He said that there was no odour or appearance of alcohol in the pilot's stomach, nor were there any signs of disease.

Asked by the Coroner whether he was able to form any opinion as to whether Mr. John Sproston predeceased his wife, Dr. Brontë said that there was no doubt that Marie Sproston predeceased her husband and her uncle. He could not differentiate between the others.

The inquest was adjourned.

IRISH COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS' ASSOCIATION.

The election of the Committee of the Irish Commercial Travellers' Association took place yesterday. The following were elected on the Committee for 1925:—Messrs. Burns, T. H. Gray, McConnell, Barrett, Collins, Byrne, Wilson, Demery, Phillips, W. Nevin, Kerrigan, McCartan, Burgess, Slattery, Mulcahy, M. F. Gray, Gourlie, L. J. Redmond, O'Loughlin, Browne, Shanahan, John M. Quigley, S. R. Armstrong, Michael Keating and H. C. Grimes. The election of Executive will take place on Saturday next at the first meeting of the new Committee.

LAWN TENNIS.

RIVIERA TOURNAMENT.

CANNES, December 29.

The results of the final round in the lawn tennis tournament played on the courts of the Hotel Metropole are as follow:—

Men's Singles—Colonel Mayes beat J. H. Van Alen—6-0, 6-2, 0-6, 6-3.

Ladies' Singles—Miss Ryan beat Mrs. Satterthwaite—6-2, 6-1.

Ladies' Doubles—Miss Ryan and Mrs. Satterthwaite beat Mrs. Neville Smith and Mlle. Saint Omer Roy—6-0, 6-1.

BILLIARDS.

SMITH v. NEWMAN.

Smith and Newman began a match of 8,000 up, level, at Manchester yesterday afternoon, the former having a slight lead at the end of the session. The best breaks were 200, 132, and 147 by Smith, and 142, 190, and 88 by Newman. Interval scores:—Smith, 666; Newman, 583.

The champion gained a lead at night, playing well, and scoring 752 against 528. Newman made breaks of 107, 142, 155, and 103, while Smith was responsible for 143 and 203. Closing scores:—Newman (in play), 1,335; Smith, 1,194.

McCONACHY v. DAVIS.

At Burroughes' Hall, Piccadilly, C. McConachy, New Zealand champion, and Davis, began a match of 8,000 up yesterday afternoon, the latter receiving 1,500 start. In a keen session Davis had slightly the worst of the exchanges on the handicap. The outstanding breaks were 138 and 78 by Davis, and 136, 79, and 76 by McConachy. Interval scores:—Davis, 1,937; McConachy, 645.

McConachy had the best of the evening session, but both players finished behind their points. The New Zealander made 731, and Davis 570, the best breaks being 102, 96, and 133 by Davis, and 155, 104, 106, and 164 by McConachy. Closing scores:—Davis (rec. 1,500), 2,509; McConachy (in play), 1,375.

HOCKEY.

SELECTION OF NORTH MUNSTER TEAM

As the result of a trial match at Ennis on Saturday last, the following have been selected to represent North Munster against South Munster at Cork on the 17th prox.:—Goal, A. McNeice (Limerick); backs, H. McFarlane (Ennis) and W. Stockill (Limerick); halves, R. Mulligan (Limerick), H. F. Butler (Ennis) (capt.), Dr. Molony (Limerick); forwards, V. Donovan, G. Cross, J. Harris, P. Wallace, V. Connolly (Limerick).

MAIDS OF THE MOUNTAIN CLUB.—General practice to-day at Foxrock, 2.30.

BADMINTON.

PEMBROKE.—Members should note that the hall will not be available to-night.

ROSSE COLLEGE, STEPHEN'S GREEN.

The College CLOSED during Christmas Week. All Departments and Classes resumed on MONDAY, December 29.—(Advt.)

DUBLIN DISTRICT COURT.

MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE.

(Before Mr. Collins.)

Albert Horton, Belgrave road, Monkstown, was charged with the manslaughter, while driving a motor car on the 21st inst., at Merrion Gates, of Bernard Gartland, electrical engineer, Stafford street, Dublin.

Mr. D. O'Flaherty (Chief State Solicitor's Department) prosecuted; Mr. E. H. Burne appeared for accused, and Mr. J. M. McDowell watched the proceedings for the next-of-kin.

John Bagnall, tram driver, of Dalkey, stated that about 11 o'clock at night he stopped the car at the fixed stopping place at Merrion Gates, and after a few seconds got the signal to re-start. He had gone only about two cars' lengths when he noticed a motor car coming from the direction of Booterstown towards the city. It was travelling about 25 or 26 miles an hour. Witness stopped the tram, because on the opposite side of the road there was a stationary steam-roller, with vans, and he did not want to pass the motor car at that spot. The motor car was on its own side, and as it passed him he thought it gave a sudden jerk as if the brakes had been applied. He heard a sound, and looking back saw the conductor running towards a man who was lying on the roadway. He went to the injured man, and they tried to lift him up. The motor car was on the outskirts of the crowd, and one of the occupants asked for the nearest telephone. Someone from the motor car said that the sooner they took the man to hospital the better, and he was put into the motor car and driven away. The car was fully lighted as it passed him.

Mr. Burne—It has been suggested in another place that the car came tearing and bounding along the road?—It was going straight ahead.

And at the ordinary rate. You saw nothing exceptional about it?—No; I did not notice anything.

And it was well lighted?—Yes; the lights blinded me—that is why I pulled up.

Daniel French, tram conductor, said that five or six people got off the tram at Merrion Gates, including the deceased and a young girl. The tram had only gone about twenty yards after re-starting when he heard a heavy thud. He looked back and saw the young man who had got off the tram lying in a heap opposite a tram standard, on the left-hand side of the road to the city. The girl was standing about ten yards away on the Booterstown side. He ran back and raised the man up. His face was covered with blood. Witness did not notice a motor car passing the tram, but a couple of minutes after the accident he noticed a motor car at the edge of the kerb. The car was fully lighted. Witness asked one of the men in it if he was the driver of the motor car, and he gave witness his name and address.

In reply to Mr. Burne, witness said that the defendant was perfectly sober.

Miss Bridget Maher, of Moy Mell, Merrion road, who was with deceased at the time of the occurrence, said that when they got off the tram at Merrion and were crossing the road she saw a motor car "tearing along the road." They hurried, and she just reached the pathway, but deceased had only one foot on the path when he was struck by the car. The force of the impact hurled deceased several yards along the road. The car afterwards took deceased to hospital.

Mr. Collins sent accused forward for trial at the Circuit Court, remarking that he thought there was a case to investigate. Bail was allowed.

MURDER CHARGE FAILS.

James Stafford (19), apprentice, G Block, Iveagh Buildings, New Bride street, was charged by Inspector Guinan, D.M.P., with the wilful murder of Michael J. Bolger (clerk, aged 25), of Clonsilla, between 11 and 12 midnight on December 24th in Phoenix Park by wilful negligence in the management of a motor bicycle, whereby he collided with a motor bicycle ridden by the deceased, causing him such injuries that he died from the effects thereof at 6.45 on Christmas morning in Steevens's Hospital.

Mr. O'Flaherty prosecuted and Mr. Campbell defended. Mr. J. A. Cullen (Messrs. Little and Cullen) appeared for the next-of-kin.

Mr. Cullen said that he was there solely for the purpose of assisting the Court and giving all information within his knowledge concerning the deceased, whose friends had no desire to press the charge against the prisoner.

Dr. W. Merrin, Castleknock, who chanced to be motoring home through the Park at the time, said that about twenty yards from where Bolger lay was an overturned motor bicycle and side car. Stafford was one of three boys there, and in witness's opinion was not sober.

Constable 119 D, who visited the spot shortly after the accident, said that in his opinion all the parties were sober and did not appear to have drink taken.

Dr. W. A. Murphy (Steevens's Hospital), said that Stafford was not sober when brought to hospital. The other two boys appeared to be perfectly sober. There was no smell of drink from Bolger, whose condition was completely accounted for by his injuries.

Robert Samson, keeper of the Park gate, at Castleknock, said that a motor bicycle and sidecar came along from Castleknock. He had not time to open the gate, and the driver had to swerve down the Ashtown road, barely missing the gate pillar. He turned back and passed through the gate. There were three boys on the machine, and there was no light whatever on it.

Thomas Hanlon, who was with accused on the motor combination, said that as they approached the Phoenix Monument he saw a light coming towards them on the wrong side of the road. He told Stafford, who was driving, to slow up and blow the horn. They were going about 12 or 15 miles an hour, and the cyclist coming towards them was going 40 or 50 miles an hour. The latter crashed into them.

Michael Browne, who was also with Stafford on the combination, gave similar evidence.

Inspector Guinan said that accused after his arrest made a statement, in which he said: "I did not wilfully do it; it was his own fault."

Evidence having concluded,

Mr. Collins said he did not think any jury would convict in the case.

Mr. O'Flaherty—I was going to ask you to send it forward.

Mr. Collins—All the evidence is the one way. I do not think any jury would convict. I will refuse informations.

The accused was accordingly discharged.

ALLEGED BURGLARY.

(Before Mr. E. A. Collins.)

A young man named John Bradley, whose address was given as Courtney place, Ballybough, was remanded till to-day on a charge of breaking and entering the premises of Messrs. Clery and Co., Lower Sackville street. The evidence of Thomas Ward night watchman, was to the effect that accused broke two small panes of glass between midnight and one o'clock on Sunday morning last at the Earl place side of the establishment. Bradley was in the act of taking a pair of children's boots from the window when the watchman took them out of his hand and pointed him out to Constable P. Sullivan (230 C), who took him into custody.

Mr. Collins sent Ellen Cahill, a dealer, of no fixed residence, to jail for one month for maliciously breaking glass at a public-house in Upper Bridge street on the 19th inst. She was further fined 10s., or in default seven days for being drunk and disorderly.

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SERMONS.

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Owing to the depressed state of the country, and the difficulty of procuring funds for the support of the inmates, a great stress is laid upon the Sisters to enable them to continue and extend their work of mercy. It is a sorrowful truth that the number of poor erring children of the city has not diminished of late, and what will the future develop if the charitable fail to help to sustain the only means of conversion which is open for them?

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The Institution is considerably in debt, which is an additional cause of anxiety.

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Donations from those who cannot attend the Sermon will be thankfully received by His Grace the Most Rev. Dr. Byrne; the Rev. Preachers, the Rev. Fathers of Gardiner street and Church street; the Clergymen of the Parish and City; Dr. Murphy and Dr. Eustace, Physicians to the Institution; and the Mother Superior of the Convent.

FIRE IN A LIGHTHOUSE.

MADRID, Monday.

A fire has completely destroyed the principal tower of the Cabo Silleiro Lighthouse, near Bayonne, which had one of the most powerful lights on the Spanish coast. The two lighthouse men in charge were saved, but not before they had received numerous burns.

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1883 TO 1919.

SOUTH DUBLIN RURAL DISTRICT.

Notice is hereby given that, in pursuance of the powers vested in me by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health under the above-mentioned Acts, and of all other powers thereunto enabling me, I have on the 11th day of November, 1924, made a Provisional Order confirming to the extent set forth in the Schedule to the said Order an Improvement Scheme made by the South Dublin Rural District Council for the provision of Cottages for the Accommodation of Agricultural Labourers in the Rural District.

The Order authorises the Rural District Council to provide in the Electoral Area named below the number of cottages hereinafter specified, and it confers on the Council compulsory powers of taking by absolute purchase certain lands required for the purpose as described in the Schedule to the Order.

Electoral Area.	No. of Cottages.	No. of Allotments.
Terenure	52	—

P. J. MEGHEN, Inspector.
Department of Local Government and Public Health, Dublin, 19th December, 1924.

LEGAL NOTICES.

SAORSTAT EIREANN.

IN THE COURT OF THE RAILWAY TRIBUNAL.
THE RAILWAYS ACT, 1924.

In the Matter of
THE AMALGAMATION OF THE GREAT SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY AND THE DUBLIN AND SOUTH-EASTERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

Whereas a proposed Scheme (the Great Southern Railways Amalgamation Scheme, 1925) has been prepared by the Railway Tribunal, in accordance with the provisions of Section 3 of the Railways Act, 1924, for the amalgamation of the Great Southern Railway Company and the Dublin and South-Eastern Railway Company (including the City of Dublin Junction Railways and the New Ross and Waterford Extension Railways), and printed copies of the proposed Scheme so prepared have been placed on sale, and at the price as directed by the Minister for Industry and Commerce, and notice that such copies were so placed on sale, and the place at which they could be obtained, was duly published in the "Iris Oifigiuil" of the 10th December, 1924.

Notice is hereby given that the Court of the Railway Tribunal will sit at the Council Chamber, City Hall, Dublin, on Thursday, the 1st day of January, 1925, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of settling, in accordance with the provisions of the said Act, the said Scheme so prepared as aforesaid. Objections and representations (if any) in reference to the said Scheme should be made at the sitting of the Court.

Dated this 29th day of December, 1924.
JOHN O'BRIEN, Registrar.
23/G8772. W.H.Co. W.G.

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THE MANAGER.

WEATHER FORECAST.

General Inference.—Another very deep depression lies near Iceland, and intense secondaries are spreading over the British Isles from the Atlantic. Severe gales from south or south-west are probable, with general rain and a temporarily rather higher temperature.

Ireland. — Southerly gales, severe in exposed places, veering towards the west; rainy, then changeable, with showers of rain or hail, and perhaps thunder; visibility mainly moderate or good; moderate to rather low temperature.

S.W. Seaboard, Mouth of Channel to South-West Ireland. — Severe south to south-west gales; a good deal of cloud; some rain; visibility poor at times; high seas.

Irish Sea and St. George's Channel; N.W. Seaboard, Northern Ireland to Hebrides.—Severe southerly gales, veering towards the west; rainy, then changeable, with showers of rain or hail; visibility poor at times, but mainly moderate or good; high seas.

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BAROMETER.
Dublin—Monday (5 p.m.) 29.80

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To-day....Rises .. 8.41 Sets 4.16
To-morrow.. .. .. 8.40 " 4.15
Lighting-up Time 5.15

HIGH WATER.
DUBLIN.
To-day....Morning 2.22 Afternoon 2.36
To-morrow.. .. .. 3.13 " 3.28

TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS.

Gaiety Theatre—"Cinderella," 2 and 7.30 p.m.
Theatre Royal—"Puppets," 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Olympia Theatre—"Babes in the Wood," 7 and 9.
Abbey Theatre—"The Glorious Uncertainty," 8.
Queen's Theatre—"Puss-in-Boots," 6.50 and 9.
Tivoli Theatre—Dixie Minstrels, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
La Scala Theatre—"Nellie."
Metropole—"Those Who Dance."
The Grafton—"The Reckless Age."
Grand Central—"The Net" and "The Velvet Woman."
Princess, Rathmines—"A Gentleman of Leisure."
Bohemian Picture Theatre—"Stepping Fast."
Pavilion, Dun Laoghaire—"A Boy of Flanders."
Dublin Port and Docks Board—Special Meeting, 1.0.
Dublin and Kingstown Railway Co., 35 College Green, 11 o'clock.
Cork and Bandon Railway Co., at Cork, 12 o'clock.
North Mayo Convention, Ballina.
Cow-testing Demonstration at Mallow.
Dublin and South-Eastern Railway Co., Westland row, 12 o'clock.

PILGRIM TRAFFIC TO IRAQ.

BAGHDAD, Sunday.
(Delayed.)

The Persian Prime Minister, Riza Khan, the Sardar Sipah, who has been engaged upon two pilgrimages to the Shiah Holy Places at Kerbela and Nejef, has now left Iraq for Teheran, by way of Khaniqin. It is expected that his pilgrimage is the forerunner of a general resumption of the ordinary pilgrim traffic from Persia into Iraq, the interruption of which, for political reasons, by the Persian Government, had a most injurious effect on the trade of this country. Before leaving Baghdad the Sardar Sipah expressed great admiration for the discipline and smartness of the British-trained Iraq police, and for the efficiency of the railways.—(Times telegram.)

The Irish Times

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1924.

NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

An official statement, issued last night, announces the dismissal from the Free State Army of 25 non-commissioned officers and 16 men and the suspension of two majors. It adds that the services of a small number of civil servants have also been terminated. This action the statement connects with an attempt to suborn members of the Army and of other State services.—(Page 5.)

The Irish cattle exporters, at a meeting in Dublin yesterday, called attention to the damage done to animals in transport.—(Page 5.)

ABROAD.

The East African National Congress of Indians has decided in a series of important resolutions to offer full co-operation with the Europeans in East Africa for the next three years in the hope of ensuring permanent co-operation.—(Page 5.)

Public opinion in South Africa, as voiced by Sir Abe Bailey, is opposed to the Geneva protocol.—(Page 5.)

The net result of the Indian National Congress is that the independence movement has lost ground.—(Page 5.)

Definite expression to the general feeling in America that France must shortly make a debt funding arrangement was given in both Houses of Congress yesterday.—(Page 5.)

In a report to the French Senate yesterday the Premier states that in foreign affairs France and Great Britain continue to pursue close and intimate co-operation.—(Page 5.)

FINANCIAL.

London Stock Markets were bright, with speculative descriptions in favour. The close was very firm.—(Page 7.)

In Lombard street loans into the new year ran up to 4½ per cent. Overnight money was plentiful and cheap. Sterling in New York rose to 4.73⅞ dols., the highest since March, 1919. Gold and silver fell sharply.—(Page 7.)

In Dublin the feature was the strong demand for, and advance in, Textiles. Guinness Shares were easier.—(Page 7.)

The Free State Elections.

Politics re-enter on the departing heels of the Christmas holidays, and the Free State by-elections loom large in the minds of the party organisers. There are ten vacant seats, for which, as we understand, the writs will be issued at the beginning of February. The vacancies were created by the resignations of the "constitutional Republican" group, and it is believed that some, if not all, of these discontented persons will seek re-election. It is almost certain that the unadjectived Republicans will contest every seat. The *Cumann na nGaedheal*, or Government Party, of course, will present ten candidates. The Farmers' Party has nominated an independent candidate for Cavan, but, as it seems, will not oppose the Government's candidates in other constituencies. In every case, therefore, the elections will be contested and, in some cases, hotly contested. Very important issues hang upon the result; for any considerable number of defeats would mean a substantial weakening of the Government's authority. We are quite sure that the country, as a whole, would deplore such a misfortune; but its apprehension at present represents a negative state of mind, and negative states of mind do not win elections. If the desired—and, indeed, necessary—triumph is to be won in February, the Government must invoke the people's support and interest in two ways. It must put forward candidates who will attract the votes of the professional and commercial classes, and by speech and action it must make the political and economic issues perfectly plain to the mass of the electorate. We are very glad to see signs that Ministers have taken the moral of the recent by-elections to heart and have discovered that an unsuitable candidate is an invitation to apathy. The convention of the *Cumann na nGaedheal* in North Dublin has recommended the adoption of Mr. P. J. Lawrence and Mr. Dolan O'Connor as the official candidates in that constituency. These gentlemen have some standing in the City of Dublin. Their records, being commercial rather than political, ought to recommend them to that large body of electors which is tired of catch-words, but has an acute interest in taxes and the state of trade.

A firm enforcement of law, a vigorous suppression of abuses and a policy of justice and tolerance for all classes have saved the nation, but have made many enemies for the nation's saviours. Even within their own camp to-day Ministers are confronted with a variety of dissensions and disloyalties. There has been no time since the foundation of the State when they needed the people's active sympathy more urgently than they need it now. The sympathy exists, indeed; but, if we may use a chemical metaphor, it exists only in solution. If it is to take the solid form which will bring eighty *per cent* of the electors to the polls in February—less than fifty *per cent.* voted at the recent elections—Ministers themselves must promote the process of crystallisation. They must take the people into their confidence; they must respect honest criticism and must profit by it, and they must remove national grievances. The chief complaint of many of the Government's semi-detached malcontents seems to be that they have not received what they regard as their due share of the spoils of victory. The chief complaint of the average citizen, who seeks no spoils, is that the Government is not giving him a fair chance to earn his bread by the sweat of his brow. In the long run this grievance, if it remains unredressed, will make more danger for Ministers than any which mere political intrigue or chicanery can devise. If the Government will publish a frank admission that taxation has become intolerable and must be reduced forthwith, and that henceforward national expenditure must be kept within the limits of the national income, hundreds of thousands of citizens who have not yet voted in the *Saorstat* will support its candidates in February. A drastic reduction of taxation and a rapid and concentrated development of the agricultural industry—these two policies, and these only, will carry city and countryside at the coming contests. Mr. Cosgrave says that the Government's Live-Stock Bill will improve the value of Irish cattle by £8,000,000 a year. That is the sort of argument to which Ministers should devote their election speeches during the next two months.

Ships and Wages.

In a special industrial review number of the *Glasgow Herald*, which is published to-day, Mr. John Barr, President of the Shipbuilding Employers' Federation, paints an extremely gloomy picture of conditions in the shipbuilding industry on the Clyde. Most of the work in hands at the various yards is nearing completion, and there is virtually nothing to follow it. The year that is coming to an end has been the best year on the Clyde since 1920, with a total output of 551,000 tons, as compared with 173,144 tons for the previous year. This prosperity, however, has been more apparent than real. Last year all work on the Clyde was brought to a stand-still for several months by the big shipbuilding lock-out, and a great deal of this year's output has been in the nature of arrears. Mr. Barr says that employers now are approaching the limit of their resources. They have been "carrying on" more for the sake of their workpeople than for the sake of their shareholders, and have been forced to accept the few orders that are available without any hope of profit. In many cases, indeed, tenders have been submitted without proper provision for establishment charges, and some firms actually are working at a dead loss. To make matters worse, the shipyard workers are putting forward a new demand for an increase of wages. At the beginning of the present year the Arbitration Court restored to the men seven shillings of the ten shillings which had been deducted from their wages some months previously. Now they are demanding not only the restoration of the other three shillings, but a further advance in wages of seven shillings *per* week. The shipbuilding employers cannot possibly afford to pay higher wages, and in all probability a serious situation will develop within the next few months.

The shipbuilding industry cannot pay its way: that is the bald truth of the case. It has been hit more severely than almost any other trade by the world depression of the past four years, and on Clyde and Lagan alike the outlook is not hopeful. The output figures are very misleading. It is true that last year's output on the Clyde was three times as great as that of 1923 and considerably greater than that of 1922; but yet it fell short of the figure for 1913 by no less than 207,000 tons, or about forty *per cent.* Since the war foreign orders have ceased nearly altogether. Next year, for instance, Messrs. Beardmore have an order for one ship for a Genoese firm; otherwise the Clyde will not have a single foreign hull on the stocks. Costs are too high. The actual wages which are being paid in the shipbuilding trade itself are anything but generous. Men are working in some of the Clyde yards for pay which would be scorned by a Dublin scavenger. As Mr. Barr points out, however, shipbuilding costs are affected by costs in almost every other industry of note. Coal, steel, wood, engineering and a dozen other trades contribute their quota to the cost of a ship, and the cumulative effect is overwhelming. Take the case of coal. A miner may get as little as three pounds a week for hewing a seam, whereas a docker who merely loads the coal into a ship may be in receipt of six, or even eight, pounds at times. Until what Mr. Barr terms "parity of values" is achieved throughout British industry there can be little hope of placing the shipbuilding—or, for that matter, any other—trade on an economically competitive footing in foreign markets. Germans and Americans, and even Japanese shipbuilders, are able at present to undercut Belfast or Glasgow firms, and Britain is losing that pre-eminence in shipbuilding which was one of the principal factors in the achievement of her imperial prosperity.

Cruelty to Cattle.

A meeting of the Cattle Exporters' Association, which was held in Dublin yesterday, discussed the important subject of the losses in value that are sustained by Irish cattle during transit to the British markets. Much has been heard of this matter during the past year, and proof has been received from all sides that Irish cattle are subjected to treatment, either before or during the sea voyage, that reduces their selling value to an alarming extent. On the other hand, nothing has been heard yet of any improvement in the present state of affairs. Cattle from the Free State compare very unfavourably with Canadian cattle after shipment to British ports, and thus the advantage of proximity to the market is more than discounted. The consequent loss is such as the chief industry in the Free State cannot afford to bear, and the ill-treatment of beasts on which the farming community relies for its wealth is a disgrace to a civilised country. The Cattle Exporters' Association brought some criticisms against the shipping and railway companies which are responsible for the transport of the animals. No doubt, unpunctuality and inefficient arrangements contribute to the loss, but the exporters cannot shift all the blame to other shoulders. The worst aspect of the case is the beating from which the cattle suffer during and before shipment, and for this the drivers are wholly responsible. Even if shipping arrangements are not efficient, there is no excuse for brutality. It is the exporters' duty, both to themselves and to the nation, to see that these barbarous methods are discarded.

The Year's Books.

"Of making many books there is no end." The year 1924 has created a new "record" in the history of British book-production. The previous "record," which was established in 1913, has been exceeded by 327. Altogether 12,706 books were published in Great Britain during the past twelve months. The largest share is claimed by fiction, and books classified as "juvenile" come next in popularity, followed by books on religious subjects. Ten years ago fiction also stood first in the list, but religion has fallen from second to third place and science from third to seventh. Evidence that the taste for "reminiscences" persists is furnished by the fact that the number of biographies published in 1924 increased by 111 as compared with the previous year. The largest decreases were in books dealing with technology and science and the largest increase was in fiction. There were ninety-nine more travel books in 1924 than in 1923. The increased popularity of lighter forms of literature is due, no doubt, to the reaction in people's minds after the strain of the war years. The demand for fiction was met rather by the issue of new editions than by an increase in the number of original novels. After the "record" of 12,379 books published in 1913 there was a steady drop in production until 1918, when the low-water mark of 7,716 was reached. Since then every year has seen an increase except 1922. The total for the year 1924 was composed of 9,513 new books and 3,193 new editions, and the relation of original works to new editions compares rather favourably with that of the last few years.

COURT AND PERSONAL.

The Queen, accompanied by the Prince of Wales and Prince Henry, will be present to-night at the West Norfolk Hunt ball at Lynford Hall, which has been lent for the occasion by Captain and Mrs. Montague. It is understood that the King and Queen of Norway and their son, Prince Olaf, will be among the guests.

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The King of the Belgians will leave Brussels next Friday for Paris, *en route* for Marseilles. There he will embark for Africa, having accepted the invitation of the Citroen Company for a motor trip across the Sahara Desert to Timbuctoo.

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Among the attractions of the Ideal Home Exhibition at Olympia in March will be the Queen's Dolls' House, which Her Majesty is permitting to be shown. Sir Edward Lutyens has designed a special hall in which this exhibit will be displayed.

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The Earl and Countess of Granard, who are in residence at Castle Forbes, will entertain a party during the second week of January for their woodcock shoot. Elizabeth Marchioness of Ormonde is spending the New Year with her daughters, Lady Beatrice Pole Carew and Lady Constance Butler, in Park lane, London. She will leave early in January for the South of France. Lord and Lady Dunleath, who spent Christmas in England, will return shortly to Ballywalter Park, County Down. Sir John and Lady Ross of Bladensburg left Rostrevor last week and will spend the New Year in Nottinghamshire.

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The Marchioness of Bute, who spent Christmas at Cardiff Castle, met with an accident while hunting with Lord Tredegar's hounds last week. She sustained injuries to her face, which confine her to the house at present, but are not likely to leave any permanent effects. The Earl and Countess of Courtown spent Christmas at Courtown House, Wexford, where their son-in-law and daughter, Colonel Geoffrey and Lady Alma Hoare, are staying with them. The Earl and Countess of Lucan are staying at Ford Manor, Lingfield, with Lady Lucan's sister-in-law, the Hon. Mrs. Spender-Clay.

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Major and Lady Mary Doyne and their only son, Mr. R. Doyne, were among the Earl and Countess of Harewood's party at Harewood House to meet Princess Mary and Viscount Lascelles. Lady Beatrice O'Brien will entertain a house party at Oakhill for the Mendip Hunt ball, which will be held in the Guildhall, Wells, on Monday, January 5th.

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The County Galway (Blazers') Hunt ball came off last night in the Railway Hotel, Galway, and on Friday the Co. Waterford Hunt ball will be held in the Town Hall, Waterford, where a large gathering is expected. The Kildare Hunt ball is fixed for January 7th in the Town Hall, Naas, and on the same evening the Ballymacad Hunt ball will take place at Loughcrew, which Captain and Mrs. Naper are lending for the occasion.

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Surgeon Barniville has left No. 9 Merrion square for ten days.

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Dr. Crofton has left town for a week.

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Doctor P. J. Keogh has left town until January 10th.

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Dr. G. E. Pepper has left 26 Lower Baggot street for one week.

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Mr. J. H. B. Tuke has returned to 61 Lower Mount street.

MARRIAGE OF WILLIAM EWART DOYLE AND MISS MABLE McGRATH.

On Tuesday, 23rd instant, the wedding took place at Warren street Roman Catholic Church, Piccadilly, London, of William Ewart Doyle, Piccadilly Hotel, to Miss Mable McGrath, daughter of the late James McGrath, Marlaville Park, Maynooth, and of Mrs. McGrath, Belleville House, Ashtown, Phœnix Park, Dublin. The bride wore a pretty beige frock and black hat, with plumes, and a beautiful nutria coat, a present from the bridegroom. Miss Hilda McGrath, sister, and three tiny children—Joan, daughter of Major Brain, A.S.C.; Sybil, daughter of Major Jennings, D.S.O.; and Gipsy, daughter of Lady Denys Burton—nieces of the bride, were bridesmaids. After the ceremony a reception was held at 62 Chester square, lent by Major and Mrs. Jennings, who is sister of the bride. Master R. O'Reilly McGrath acted as groomsman. Afterwards the happy couple left for the Grand Hotel, Harrogate, where part of the honeymoon will be spent.

The Louth Hunt Ball will be held at Beaulieu, Drogheda (by kind permission of Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery), on Monday, January 12th, 1925, at 9.30 p.m. Mr. W. A. Manahan's Band (personally conducted). Tickets obtainable from Mrs. Filgate, Lissrenny, Ardee. Price before January 5th, 25s.; after that date, 30s.

Furs at Switzers. High-grade stock of Coats and Stoles, in all fashionable furs, offered at most moderate prices.

New Year Gifts—Choice Furs, always acceptable.—W. Holmes, Dublin, Ltd., 69, 70, 71 South Great George's street.

Lovely Dance Frocks for New Year Festivities at Holmes', George's street.

Gifts in profusion in each section at Holmes', George's street.

Chancellor and Son, Photographers, New Electric Studio, 7 Grafton street, Dublin.

PASSENGERS ON ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

Arrivals:—J. B. Gildea, R. J. Keogh, Mr. and Mrs. Ewart Doyle, A. V. Spence, E. E. Spence, H. St. M. Perry, Desmond Longworth Dames, Miss C. Cooke Blanc, L. D. Gibson, Miss Dodd, Mr. and Mrs. John M. McCready, O. H. Nuttall, William M. Young, Sir W. de C. Wheeler, William Birch, Frank Gardiner, H. A. Taylor, T. A. Jackson, Miss M. Jackson.

Departures:—Miss McLoughlin, S. Carolin, E. J. Campbell, Surgeon-Lieut. Phillips, R.N.; T. J. Brennan, Miss Stevenson, E. Villers Carbury, H. W. Stevenson, Hugh Douglas, Dr. Epstein, Capt. Armitage, M. D. Clarke, London-Irish F.C., Surgeon-Lieut. Andrews, R.N.; P. N. N. Synnott, Miss Maguire, Miss Murphy, Mrs. Lendrum, Mr. and Mrs. Lang, H. Lang, Mr. Phibbs, Mr. Joyce, Miss Robb, W. J. Hughes, A. K. Palmer, Capt. Damier, Mr. Campbell.

McBirney and Co.'s Great Winter Sale commences on Thursday next.

Mourning Orders executed on the shortest notice. 'Phone 4905.—Davis and Co., 45 Grafton street.

NATIONAL LIBRARY.
OPENING HOURS EXTENDED.

The National Library of Ireland will open on and after Thursday, January 1st, 1925, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Forms of application for readers' tickets can be obtained at the Library.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE ON THE LIBERAL PARTY.

Speaking at a Liberal social meeting at Criccieth last night, Mr. Lloyd George said Liberalism would be the strongest force that the Government would have to contend with before it reached the end of its term of office. If there was a party that could give greater effect to their ideals than the Liberal Party he would support it, but because he believed that the Liberal Party was the best and only party that could do that, he was still as great a Liberal as ever.

LONDON LETTER.
THE COLOGNE DECISION.

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
MONDAY NIGHT.

The British Government has agreed that the evacuation of the Cologne district by our troops shall not take place on January 10th, but it is understood that evacuation is ardently desired, and will be carried out as soon as it may be accomplished without risk to our Allies. Germany will have to satisfy the British Government and the Allies generally that she is acting fairly with regard to disarmament, and, while there is no desire here to act harshly or to prejudice German interests, she will be given to understand that we are not justified in considering evacuation until we are satisfied. It is also understood that the Note sent to Germany postponing evacuation will be followed by another setting forth in detail Germany's shortcomings, and asking for full compliance with the demands already made. May is now mentioned as a possible date for the evacuation.

Opposition by the seamen's organisations to the clause in the proposed German Treaty sanctioning the re-admission of Germans to the mercantile marine has been withdrawn, following a statement by the President of the Board of Trade that the Treaty would get ships under way which are now laid up, thereby reducing unemployment. A number of members of Parliament, however, hold the view that the whole question of the employment of foreigners on British ships should receive attention. Lord Apsley intends to introduce a measure at the earliest opportunity to deal with this subject. With a view to limiting the number of aliens, it will be proposed that ships with crews containing less than ninety *per cent.* of British subjects shall fly the Union Jack instead of the Red Ensign. The exact terms of the bill will not be decided upon until a conference has been held, and members interested are to meet shortly after the reassembling of Parliament.

The Pound in New York.

The rise in the value of the pound sterling continues in New York, and to-day the highest point hitherto was touched. The pound was valued at 4.73⅞ dollars, or nineteen shillings and fivepence-halfpenny English. The previous high-water mark was 4.72¼ in February, 1923. Since January of this year the appreciation has been steady, with few set-backs, and lately the advance has been accelerated by the results of the elections here and in the United States and by the adoption of the Dawes reparation scheme. The big European loan operations in the States and the improving trade conditions on this side of the Atlantic also have been helpful.

Motor Laws.

One of the more important measures to be brought before the House of Commons next month will be that relating to changes in the law dealing with motor traffic. The bill has not yet been properly drafted, but its main provisions have been settled. The speed limit for motor cars is to be abolished in the country, but there will be a limit for towns. Heavy commercial vehicles probably will be subject to a limit everywhere, unless fitted with pneumatic tyres. Stringent penalties will be fixed for negligent and dangerous driving, while licences will not be issued to people suffering from grave physical defects. Compulsory insurance against accidents will be a feature. The Minister of Transport will be entitled to hold an inquiry into a road accident when he thinks it advisable, and he will also be able to arrange for experiments in road surfaces. The bill is based mainly upon the findings of a representative committee which inquired into the whole matter, and it is thought that it will receive general support.

Labour Troubles.

The new year probably will see several labour troubles; for some two million workers intend to demand higher pay during the next few months. They include the miners, the railwaymen, the engineers and the shipbuilders. The total amount of money represented by the different claims runs into many millions *per annum.* The claim of the railway workers alone is estimated to cost something like twenty millions a year. The miners and the shipbuilders have not made any specific demand, and any increase in pay must depend on the ability of the industries to meet the cost. The engineers want another pound *per* week, a demand put forward and rejected last May. It is to be more firmly pressed this year.

London Floods.

It is seldom that the Thames Embankment is flooded with river water, but following upon the downpour of last Saturday the river overflowed, and the Embankment near Waterloo Bridge was covered to the depth of several inches. On the Southern side of the river, where there is no embankment, many houses were flooded, and the occupants had to retire to the upper floors. The water, however, soon disappeared, leaving large quantities of mud behind. Hampstead, after the rainfall of Saturday, can claim the highest rain total for the year for the whole country. The rainfall there up to date is 37.21 inches, or nearly four thousand tons to every acre. This is the highest rainfall ever registered there in records dating back sixty-five years.

Tube Fares.

London travellers are to receive a New Year's gift from the directors of the underground group of railways on Thursday, when the *minimum* fare will be reduced from three-halfpence to one penny. Power was given to the companies in 1920 to charge a *minimum* of fifty *per cent.* more than was the custom, but this will expire early in the New Year. With the increase on the underground, the tubes and omnibuses also raised their *minimum*, and, in order to secure uniformity, the tube will revert to the penny also. The omnibuses did so many months ago.

The Salonika Army.

For the information of the many Irish people who are interested, I am asked to state that the memorial erected on Colonial Hill to the men of the Salonika Army who died during the war is to be unveiled on Easter Day, April 12th. It is proposed to organise a trip to the Near East so that relatives and friends of the fallen may take part in the ceremony. Those who wish to go should send their names to Major Bell, the Hon. Secretary, 1-3 Regent street, S.W. The inclusive first-class cost will not exceed £58, and the probable date of departure from London is April 6th. The party must number 140.

Broadcasting at Sea.

Broadcasting to their own passengers and crew is now being introduced on ocean liners. The apparatus is designed to enable music played in the saloon to be heard over the whole ship. The installation, a ship's orchestra repeater, can be used not only for music, but for lectures, concerts or any other purpose for which simultaneous hearing might be useful on board ship. The 23,000-tonner Aorangi, of the Union S.S. Co., Limited, of New Zealand, the world's largest motor ship, which leaves Southampton on her maiden voyage to Australia on Friday, is the first ship to be fitted with the apparatus. The Canadian Pacific liner Montclare is being similarly fitted.

The British Postmaster-General announces that, in addressing letters after the end of this year to Christiania under its new name of Oslo, it is necessary to add "Norway" to the address to avoid confusion with other places of the same name in the United States of America.

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FRANCE'S WAR DEBTS.

OMITTED FROM THE BALANCE SHEET.

REPUDIATION HINT SUSPECTED.

PLAIN SPEAKING IN AMERICA.

Definite expression was given in both Houses of Congress yesterday to the general feeling in America that France must shortly make a debt-funding arrangement. In the Senate it was demanded that France should be made to understand that she would have to pay. It was held that the French people were in favour of making repayment, although the Government might seek to evade its liability. France, it was pointed out, might again need to borrow to finance a war of defence, but would be unable to do so if she repudiated her present debts. In the Lower House it was said that the French people would pay if they were made to realise their moral obligations.

American Treasury officials profess not to see a hint of repudiation in the absence of any mention in the French balance sheet of the debt due to the United States. All official communications have tacitly recognised the obligations.

An official statement issued in Paris mentions the possibility of a discussion of inter-Allied debts at the Finance Ministers' Conference next month, and admits that America's claim to a share in the reparations for material damage is just.

The French Premier's reply to questions asked by the Senatorial Foreign Affairs Committee emphasises the cordiality of Anglo-French relations in all matters of foreign policy, notably in Egypt.

CONGRESS DEBATE.

FRANCE REMINDED OF HER MORAL OBLIGATIONS.

WASHINGTON, Monday.

The report that France intends to repudiate her debts to the United States precipitated a debate in both Houses of Congress to-day. Senator Reed, of Pennsylvania, told the Senate that France should understand that she would have to pay. He expressed the opinion that France did not mean to pay anything, but said that this policy was not supported by the French people.

It was time for some friend to tell France that her present course was a mistake, even from a selfish standpoint. French expenditure to arm against invasion could be approved by all her friends, but if invasion should come France would need more money, and it would be impossible for her to obtain credit if she had repudiated her obligations.

In the Lower House, Mr. Blanton, of Texas, declared that the French debt would be refunded amicably as soon as the French people woke up to their moral obligations.

TREASURY NOT ALARMED.

Following the leading article in the *Washington Post* by Mr. Harvey, formerly Ambassador in London, criticising the attitude of France regarding the question of war debts, which has caused a good deal of comment in this country, it is learned that American official circles are greatly interested in some phases of the question which are likely to be discussed in both Houses of Congress shortly.

Mr. Wadsworth, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury and a member of the American Debt Funding Commission, conferred with Mr. Hughes, the Secretary of State, this morning, but, while no announcement has been made regarding their conversation, it may be definitely stated that United States officials are not inclined to see any hint of repudiation in the recent action of the French Minister who published the balance sheet of France without mentioning the money due to the United States. On the contrary, it is emphasised that the French Government, as far as official communications to Washington are concerned, has throughout recognised the equity, as well as the legality, of these obligations, and it is expected here that they will be "worked out" in time in the same friendly spirit as marked the arrangement of the British debt.—(Reuter.)

FRENCH STATEMENT.

DEBTS TO BE DISCUSSED NEXT MONTH.

PARIS, Monday.

In the course of the debate on the bill authorising the vote on account for January and February, M. Clementel, the Minister of Finance, implicity admitted the possibility of inter-Allied debts being discussed at the Finance Ministers' conference in January, but promised to make no final and binding decision in the matter before submitting it to Parliament's approval.

As regards America's demand for a share in the reparations for material damage, which is to be discussed at the January conference, the Minister said that it was impossible in equity to reject the claim of the American nation, which had financed the war as well as sending soldiers.

Referring to the France-German commercial negotiations, M. Clementel held out the hope of a satisfactory settlement, thus avoiding a possible rupture on January 10, when Germany regains her economic independence.—(Reuter.)

FOREIGN POLICY.

MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING WITH BRITAIN.

PARIS, Monday.

The Senatorial Foreign Affairs Committee met to-day to hear the reply of the Prime Minister to the questions submitted to him by the Bureau of the Commission in regard to Anglo-French relations. M. Herriot, in the course of his reply, mentioned the cordiality which continues to preside over the relations of the two Governments, and referred to the mutual understanding of interests and views that both are striving to establish in all international questions in the Mediterranean, the Middle East and the Far East.

The French Premier went on to say that the agents of both nations have received the most pressing instructions to pursue close and intimate co-operation. "Mr. Chamberlain has expressed gratification at the attitude of our diplomacy in Egyptian affairs. In Morocco Great Britain is pursuing her policy of reciprocal good offices. The French Government has decided to avoid any action which from near or afar might bring this matter into the domain of international discussions. The security of the French zone will be fully maintained. The Russian Fleet must be handed over, since the Soviet Government has been recognised. A Commission of Russian experts has proceeded to Bizerta—and to Bizerta alone—to ascertain what state the ships are in and to consider details as to the date and manner of the handing over. The Western Powers will be able to contemplate such application of the Straits Convention which might be brought about by the presence of a Russian Fleet in the Black Sea."—(Reuter.)

THE TIPPERARY MURDER.

There have been no further developments of note in connection with the murder of Mr. Matthew Ryan, Bohercrowe, Tipperary. Two of the men who have been arrested on suspicion, James Quish and Michael Moore, have been removed to the Military Barracks. The third prisoner, Richard Ruth, is still at the Civic Guard Barracks.

On Sunday night the Civic Guards and military stopped and searched many people in the streets of Tipperary.

THE FREE STATE BY-ELECTIONS.

BUSINESS CANDIDATES.

FARMERS' PARTY AND CAVAN.

By Our Political Correspondent.

By the end of February another miniature general election in the Irish Free State will have come and gone. In all, there are ten vacancies to be contested, and, with the probable exception of Cavan, every one of the constituencies, left without representation in the Dail by the resignation of the McGrath group, is likely to provide a straight fight between a Ministerial candidate and a nominee of the Republican Party.

On Sunday a Farmers' Convention in Cavan selected Mr. John F. O'Hanlon to represent the interests of the farming classes in the constituency. Mr. O'Hanlon, I learn, will be the only representative of the farming community to contest a seat in the coming by-elections, and all the efforts of the Farmers' Party will be devoted towards securing his return. "The decision of the Party to put forward only one candidate," the General Secretary of the Farmers' Union told me yesterday, "is not due to any lack of suitable candidates. It is due simply to the feeling that the Party will gain in strength by making a strenuous effort to capture a second seat in Cavan."

All the resources of the Farmers' Party, and of the Farmers' Union generally, in the way of speakers and organisers, will be placed at the disposal of the candidate. So far, there is no indication that Mr. Sean Milroy will seek re-election, but it would cause no surprise if it were announced in the immediate future that he will go forward either on his own behalf or on behalf of the group of which he is a member.

SIX SELECTIONS.

Up to the present six selections have been made by constituency conventions of the Cumann na n-Gaedheal organisation. The latest of these conventions was held last night at Parnell square, Dublin, when close on fifty delegates, representative of the different wards of South Dublin, assembled to select a candidate for the vacancy in that constituency. Mr. P. S. Doyle presided at the Convention. Among those who attended were:—Mr. J. J. Walsh, Minister of Posts and Telegraphs; Mr. Blythe, Minister of Finance; and General Mulcahy. The proceedings lasted close on three hours, the result of the deliberations being that two names were selected to be submitted to the Executive of the organisation.

The convention, I understand, had several names submitted to it for consideration, but the ultimate selections were those of a prominent Dublin professional man and an equally prominent business man. The names of both will be submitted to the Executive of the Cumann na nGaedheal on Friday evening next, when the final choice will be made.

It is interesting to note that the constituent conventions of both South and North Dublin have proposed the candidature of well-known Dublin business men in connection with the approaching elections. In neither case, as I am informed, has the proposed candidate had any association with the Ministerial organisation. The announcement in yesterday's newspapers was, perhaps, the first intimation that Mr. P. J. Lawrence (managing director of the Anglo-American Oil Company) had of his selection as a candidate for one of the vacancies in North Dublin. Mr. Lawrence has not so far communicated to the Cumann na nGaedheal his readiness to go forward; but it is thought that it will be intimated to Friday's meeting of the Executive, which is summoned to ratify the selections already made.

To-day a Convention will be held at Ballina to select a Government candidate for North Mayo. It is not unlikely that Professor Tierny will contest this seat again. At any rate, there is little doubt that to-day's Convention will select him.

The only other Conventions to be held are those for Cavan and Kilkenny. The Cavan Convention, which was adjourned from last Sunday week as the result of Mr. O'Maille's telegram, will be held on Sunday next, and that for Kilkenny constituency on Sunday week.

CAVAN BY-ELECTION.

POSITION OF THE FARMERS' PARTY.

From Our Correspondent.

CAVAN, Monday

Mr. John F. O'Hanlon, in returning thanks to the Farmers' Convention in Cavan on Sunday for having selected him as their candidate at the coming by-election in the county, said that some people thought that the farmers' platform was a narrow one, but having regard to the year that was just passing, he believed that it had been brought home to everyone that the farm was the national mint from which money and all prosperity flowed. It was time that the farmers realised, as those who were not farmers knew to their cost, whom it was that the country was dependent on to-day. Australian butter could be bought in their cities, whilst Irish butter, the best in the world, was being crushed out of the market. This contest, which had been forced on the country, he hoped, would be conducted on clean, decent lines.

Mr. M. F. O'Hanlon, General Secretary, said that in this contest the Farmers' Party were not associated with any other Party in the Saorstat. They were not letting down the Treaty, but the people were sick of party squabbling, and wanted to get down to concrete things—to bread and butter politics, and a vigorous opposition was just as essential as a strong Government.

The Cumann na nGaedheal Convention to select a candidate will be held in Cavan on Sunday. There is a desire in some quarters that an arrangement should be reached with the Farmers' Party to avoid a three-cornered fight, and make the contest a straight issue between the Republicans' and the Farmers' Party.

GENEVA PROTOCOL CONDEMNED.

ROCK ON WHICH EMPIRE MAY BREAK UP.

CAPE TOWN, Monday.

Attention here is focussing on the Geneva Protocol and the probability of an Imperial Conference, which is at present considered impracticable.

The general feeling, as voiced throughout the Union, is opposed to the Protocol in its present form. Sir Abe Bailey, who has long been a staunch supporter of General Smuts and a leading South African Party man, in an out-spoken statement to-day, described the League of Nations as a farce without the inclusion of America and Germany. He urged statesmen and others immediately to study with the closest attention the Covenant of the League, the Protocol and the draft Treaty of Mutual Assistance; for the British Empire, including South Africa, he declared, would soon be "up against" a world crisis. It meant that all disputes, both domestic, including the Asiatic question, and other questions, would be decided by a body of arbitrators, and the Protocol would require members to enforce every decision given by that body.

Sir Abe Bailey declared that nobody outside the South African Parliament must ever decide for South Africa whether it should go to war or not, which was a responsibility which must always be theirs alone. Great Britain must look at it from the angle that, should she sign and the Dominions refuse, it would mean the breaking up of the British Empire, as no Dominion could escape Great Britain's liability without seceding.

In conclusion, he said that few people knew what was contained in the Protocol, and South Africa must see to it that no sentimental friends of peace should rush the Empire to its destruction by forcing this document to be signed.—(Reuter.)

LEVER LIMITED IN FINLAND.

HELSINGFORS, Monday.

It is understood that Astroms Factories, Ltd., the largest chemical technical concern in Finland, has passed under the control of Lever, Ltd., a branch company of the British Sunlight factories.

INDIANS IN EAST AFRICA.

NON-CO-OPERATION TO BE ABANDONED.

IMPORTANT DECISIONS.

NAIROBI, Monday.

The East African National Congress of Indians, after a two days' stormy session here, adopted important resolutions on the advice of the President of the Congress, Abdul Wahid, a Kenya merchant pioneer, who, after 25 years in the colony, is now the wealthiest Indian here with the greatest interests.

Abdul Wahid, who originally had a meeting with Mr. Ormsby Gore, Under-Secretary for the Colonies, in London, and had another meeting recently in Nairobi, urged in his presidential address that peace should be made with the Europeans for the next three years, declaring that he was hopeful that, if this were done, the result would be the establishment of permanent friendship.

During the debate it was decided that there should not be a non-co-operative opposition, and eventually the Congress adopted a resolution to abandon non-co-operation in Kenya, agreeing, first, to accept five nominated Indian seats in the Legislative Council; secondly, to agree to the payment of a poll tax; thirdly, to accept representation on the Kenya Executive Council; fourthly, to accept municipal representation in the proportion of five Asiatics to seven Europeans; and fifthly, to advise Uganda Indians to agree to one Indian representation being nominated to the Uganda Legislature.

Thus for the next three years the Indians in East Africa here are offering entire co-operation with the Europeans in the hope of European reciprocity ensuring in the future lasting co-operation in work.—(P.A. Foreign Special.)

INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENT LOSING GROUND.

MR. GANDHI'S BID FOR SUPPORT.

BELGAUM, Monday.

The Congress Week concludes to-morrow with the departure of Mr. Gandhi, who has virtually dictated the political programme. Although many sincerely believe in his spinning-wheel message, others, mainly the Swarajists, agreed to it for reasons of expediency. The measure of success that he achieves in promoting the production of Khaddar "home-spun cloth" in 1925 will probably determine his future hold on the Congress.

The chief feature of the week has been the demonstration that the Communal spirit is spreading among the Hindus, Mahommedans and non-Brahmins, who all voiced their feelings in the matter, from which it appears that all communities are preparing to receive the full benefit of any future transference of power to Indians, with the result that the movement in favour of independence has lost adherents. This is possibly responsible for the resignation from the Congress of Hasrat Mohani, who has hitherto been the leader of the movement.

THE BENGAL ORDINANCE.

CALCUTTA, Monday.

The Bengal Legislative Council will meet on January 7 to consider the bill known as the Bengal Criminal Law Amendment Bill, 1925, which is designed to give effect to the ordinance promulgated on October 25 last. In a memorandum issued this evening, the Bengal Government says that legislation is necessary because it is important that a legislative measure should be submitted to the Legislature prior to the enacting of a permanent law. The memorandum, which reveals the fact that up to the present sixty-four arrests have been made under the ordinance, announces that an appeal to the High Court from the Tribunal of three judges will be provided for. It is generally anticipated that the bill will not pass the Council for the forthcoming meeting of which the Swarajists are concentrating their full strength.

DUBLIN LABOUR EXCHANGE.

THE EMPLOYMENT OF EX-SOLDIERS.

The Council of the Unemployed in Dublin have received a letter from the Ministry of Industry regarding the extent to which vacancies at the Dublin Exchange are being filled by ex-National soldiers in comparison with civilians. It states that preference is given to ex-National Army men by direction of the Ministry, and the attached table of figures is enclosed to show that civilians are not entirely excluded, as was stated in a letter from the Council to the Ministry.

Date.	Civilians.	Army.
31/ 3/'24	1	10
7/ 4/'24	5	29
14/ 4/'24	28	10
21/ 4/'24	9	20
28/ 4/'24	7	4
5/ 5/'24	8	6
12/ 5/'24	2	8
19/ 5/'24	10	24
26/ 5/'24	6	7
2/ 6/'24	24	11
9/ 6/'24	—	49
16/ 6/'24	—	31
23/ 6/'24	15	28
30/ 6/'24	—	36
7/ 7/'24	12	21
14/ 7/'24	5	26
21/ 7/'24	—	33
28/ 7/'24	3	9
5/ 8/'24	4	26
12/ 8/'24	3	6
19/ 8/'24	—	18
26/ 8/'24	5	8
1/ 9/'24	6	9
8/ 9/'24	2	7
15/ 9/'24	1	12
22/ 9/'24	1	23
29/ 9/'24	8	26
6/10/'24	3	23
13/10/'24	3	22
20/10/'24	1	29
27/10/'24	2	18
3/11/'24	2	14
10/11/'24	—	20
17/11/'24	3	9
24/11/'24	—	11
1/12/'24	—	66
8/12/'24	6	104
Totals	185	813

MOTOR CAR ACCIDENTS.

THREE PERSONS INJURED NEAR WATERFORD.

Three motor car accidents occurred in the Waterford district during the week-end, one of which was serious.

A five-seater Ford car, driven by James Foley and owned by Mr. R. Barry, Waterford, collided with a car owned by Mr. James Donoghue, Cahir, County Tipperary, at Clonmore Cross, near Piltown. The occupants of Mr. Barry's car, Mr. and Mrs. Purcell and their children, were pitched on the road. The car turned turtle, and Mr. Purcell was pinned beneath it, but escaped serious injury.

Kiernan Purcell, aged five, was badly injured, and when he was taken to the Infirmary it was found necessary to have one finger amputated. Miss Purcell sustained severe injuries to the left shoulder and arm. The driver, Foley, had minor injuries.

The occupants of the other car were unhurt.

The other two accidents were not serious.

TOLL OF THE GREAT WAR.

THOUSANDS OF CLAIMS FOR PENSIONS.

£72,000,000 A YEAR SPENT.

ORPHANS AND THE STATE.

It is revealed in the annual report of the British Minister of Pensions, issued yesterday, that, although six years have elapsed since the close of hostilities, claims in respect of death or disablement in the war still continue to be made at the rate of 1,200 a week.

It is stated that by the admissions to the pension list during the year the aggregate number of first awards exclusive of about 330,000 allowances and gratuities in respect of minor disablement, was increased to 2,010,000 at March 31st, 1924, of which 1,264,600 were in respect of soldiers and seamen disabled, 59,300 were in respect of officers disabled, 2,350 were first awards to nurses, the remainder in respect of death being made to widows or dependants.

The total number of beneficiaries, including the wives of disabled men and the children of disabled men and women, who have participated in war compensation has been no less than 4,525,000. The largest number under benefit at any one time was 3,500,000.

During the year under review, which was up to the end of March last, artificial eyes were fitted to 3,370 pensioners. The demand for metal legs to replace those made of wood increased considerably. In all 9,255 artificial legs were issued and 1,201 artificial arms. The total number of pensioners to whom artificial limbs have been issued by the Ministry is 38,657—a striking commentary on the devastation of the war.

The number of disabled men requiring in-patient treatment showed a noticeable decline during the year. The Committee made 1,864 new grants towards the cost of education of children of deceased and disabled officers and men. There were 18,157 motherless children under special supervision at the end of the year. About thirty-six per cent. of total awards made to the widows had ceased on account of re-marriage.

The expenditure, which declined during the year, amounted to over £72,000,000.

DISMISSALS FROM FREE STATE ARMY.

"UNCONSTITUTIONAL PRESSURE."

We have received the following official statement:—

"It has been found necessary to dismiss from the Army 25 non-commissioned officers and 16 men. Two majors have been suspended and invited to show cause why their commissions should not be cancelled. The services of a small number of Civil Servants have also been terminated.

"For some months past efforts have been made by, and on behalf of, certain of the ex-officers who retired from the Army in connection with the mutiny in March last to suborn from their allegiance members of the Army and other State services, with a view to renewing the attempt to subject the Government to pressure of an unconstitutional nature.

"In each case in which the action announced above has been decided on, the Executive Council had reason to believe that the person dismissed was in close and active association with such conspiracy."

THE ELECTIONS IN EGYPT.

PRISONERS RELEASED.

CAIRO, Monday.

The ten suspects released yesterday include the Sheikh Chayati, deputy and prominent member of the Wafd, and Hassen Yassin, deputy and leader of the so-called Students' Army, the activities of which have been so conspicuous a feature of the Zaghulist movement. Abd Er Rahman Fahmy, organiser of the notorious Vengeance Society, who was imprisoned in 1921, and Nokrashi Bey, Under-Secretary of the Interior in the Zaghulist Government, were to-day remanded by the Court dealing with the inquiry into the murder of the Sirdar, for another fourteen days.

On the advice of the Minister of the Interior, the Government has decided to prohibit students who are not voters from dabbling in the election campaign which has just commenced.

In his letter to the Cabinet on the subject, Sidky Pasha says that the elections must be carried out in a tranquil atmosphere, and electors must be able freely to express their views. It is, therefore, necessary to forbid students who are not entitled to vote to interfere in any form whatsoever with the liberty of those enjoying civil rights. Such students must not be permitted to constitute committees, hold meetings, or participate in meetings.—(Press Association Foreign Special.)

IF ZAGHLUL PASHA SHOULD WIN.

EFFECT ON BRITISH POLICY.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

From Our Own Correspondent.

CAIRO, Monday.

Egypt's electoral campaign is now fairly launched. Both the principal parties—Zaghlulists and Liberal Constitutionalists—have issued election appeals, both of which are distinguished by an utter absence of programme, and concentrate on vilification of their opponents. Each terms the other traitors and mercenaries and "surrenderers to the British."

For electoral purposes the Liberal Constitutionalists and Nationalists, although professing principles widely opposed, are combining in an attempt to overthrow the Zaghlulists.

The Government is mobilising all its machinery to assist in the onslaught, but it is doubtful whether this formidable aid will prove sufficient to oust Zaghlul from the place he still retains in the affections of the majority of his countrymen.

British circles are watching the contest anxiously, for a Zaghlulist victory would involve either the acceptance of the return of the Ministry recently referred to as "assassins," or overthrowing the Egyptian constitutional *régime*, and forcibly installing an Egyptian Government more favourable to the British demands.

The latter alternative is almost unthinkable, of course, but if the Zaghlulists gain an electoral victory and a Zaghlulist Ministry is accepted, it will be a serious blow to British prestige in the Orient.

THE AQUITANIA.

EXPECTED IN NEW YORK ON WEDNESDAY.

With reference to the rumours that have been in circulation with regard to the Aquitania, the Cunard Company received a wireless message from the ship during the week-end stating that all was well with the ship and her *personnel*. The vessel was experiencing exceptionally heavy weather, similar to that which has been prevailing over the British Isles.

On Saturday she logged only 220 miles, and on Sunday but 251. The weather was then moderating, but this delay will prevent the vessel from arriving in New York before Wednesday night.

AFTER THE FLOOD.

PLIGHT OF DUBLIN FAMILIES.

HELP FOR THE HOMELESS.

The after-effects of the floods which caused so much damage and distress in numbers of homes in the Church road area of Dublin on Saturday seem to be more serious even than were estimated on Sunday, and the families who were flooded out have been advised to remain in the Wharf road National Schools, where they are being sheltered and fed until their houses became habitable.

The dry crisp weather of yesterday morning tempted many of the women to leave the school and visit their homes, some entertaining the hope that they might safely instal themselves in the houses again, and it was during a course of such an inspection by the flood-evicted tenants that an *Irish Times* representative, who met Alderman Alfred Byrne, was able to see for himself the wretched conditions in which the dwellings had been left.

Looking at the houses from the road, one has no conception of the *débris* inside, and no suspicion of the confusion that exists in the cottages. Janeville terrace, which can be reached from Ossory road, at Newcomen Bridge, consists of eight dwellings, seven of which are four-room cottages. In the first one of those visited our representative was shown into a room containing two beds and furniture. The bed clothes were still sodden, the water having reached a height that covered them. A fire had been lighted and cushioned chairs were placed on their sides beside it to dry. A small piano stood ruined, the floor still oozed water, and the walls exhibited evidence of the height to which the floods had risen. The entire house presented a dismal appearance of wet and ruined articles, but it was only a sample of the others.

POOR PEOPLE'S LOSSES.

A door or two away a man conducted his visitors through the rooms of his humble abode, and in the yard he pointed out two pet dogs that lay dead, drowned by the inrush of water. Next to him another resident indicated a hen house, where there were several dead hens, and pointed out another where there were ten dead chickens.

A woman in another house pathetically remarked that they had all done up their places for Christmas, "and look at that," she added, surveying the discoloured and drooping wall paper. Clothes, food, and crockery were destroyed. A woman further along showed what had been intended for Saturday's dinner. The household had to flee, thinking only of their safety.

Coady's cottages adjoining were in a similar plight, and any one selected might be taken to represent the entire twenty-four. Mrs. Bradshaw, who lived in one of them, said that she had lived there for forty-five years and had never experienced anything like the flood of Saturday. It was worse, she said, than the flood of forty-three years ago.

A man who lived in one of these cottages had to borrow a pair of boots to go to work. Wearing apparel of men, women and children lay around, heavy with water and unwearable, and food washed out of kitchens and cupboards was strewn on the floors.

There are six houses in Smithfield avenue, if differing in their degree of wretchedness, worse than the others, and from one of them a woman had to go and find shelter in another locality.

The Public Health authorities yesterday removed mattresses and bedding from the houses to be dried and returned in the event of them being fit for further use, and arrangements are being made, it is understood, to supply new mattresses in specific cases. The 50 mattresses and 150 blankets already provided for the accommodation of the people housed in the Wharf road schools were very kindly supplied by military officers within half an hour after a request for them had been made by Alderman Byrne.

CHARITABLE ENDEAVOUR.

Yesterday morning a number of representatives of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, young men engaged in business pursuits in the city, who devoted their day off to relieving the sufferers, visited the houses, and had coal supplied to each. Alderman Byrne, with whom they co-operated, informed the *Irish Times* representative that they are making arrangements for further supplies of coal, and that that morning Messrs. Bolands, in response to his appeal, had sent out a load of bread free for the destitute.

The Rev. David Hall, of St. Barnabas's Parish, was also a sympathetic visitor yesterday, and he and Canon Brady, together with Alderman Byrne and the representatives of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, are taking a very practical interest in the needs of the sufferers.

Dr. Russell, Medical Officer of Health, went through the area, and said that the houses were not in their present condition fit for human habitation. The holidays will not expire for another ten days, so that the school children will not be interfered with, and it is hoped that before that time the unlucky victims will be able either to go back to their homes or find other accommodation.

TRAIL OF DESTRUCTION.

For three days the rockbound coast of Clare has been pounded by heavy seas, which have done much damage to property on the coastline. Great havoc was wrought at Lahinch, where a tremendous sea undermined the promenade, sweeping a portion of it away. One unoccupied house on the promenade collapsed, and the contents were swept out to sea. Other houses are on the verge of collapse. Windows have been smashed, and roofs torn off other buildings.

Galway Golf Links, at Barna, Galway, were flooded in part on St. Stephen's Day, when the Captain's Cup was played for. Nevertheless, there was a good number of competitors, and the cup was won by Mr. F. J. Lenihan, L.D.S.I.

A large bridge just built in the townland of Camgart, on the leading road from Fivemiletown to Fintona, was completely swept away, and the road completely blocked. Great floods also took place at Tattyreagh and Cleen, a short mile from Fivemiletown. Many people coming to Fivemiletown had to turn back, and take other roads to get into town.

Owing to the abnormal high tides in Courtown Harbour, a considerable portion of the sea banks and about 50 yards of the roadway leading out of the village to the cricket ground have been carried away. At a specially convened meeting on Sunday night, it was decided to telegraph to the Fisheries Department, asking them to send down their engineer at once to devise some means to prevent the further encroachment of the sea. It is pointed out that tourist traffic will be badly impeded if the road is not restored.

The belfry of Knocknagoshel Church, County Kerry, was struck by lightning on Sunday morning, and the heavy bell dislodged from its position.

Snow to a considerable depth is on the hills a few miles from Donegal town.

FROST IN LONDON.

The weather in London was bright, and there was a touch of frost yesterday morning in the air. Four degrees were recorded at Kew.

There was serious flooding in Richmond, Surrey, late on Sunday night. The Richmond bridge was impassable, and several houses on the front were flooded to the extent of between two and three feet. The water overflowed to the Old Deer Park, and thirty sheep were drowned. A boatman in a punt rescued fifteen.

GLASGOW STEAMER BEACHED.

The Glasgow steamer Gleneden, bound from Calcutta to Dundee, has been beached at Sunk Island, in the River Humber. The ship struck the shoal of the Newark Lightship in Saturday's gale, and was damaged. The captain decided to make for the Humber, and the ship was beached to save her from sinking. The cargo was discharged into lighters.

LINER'S ROUGH VOYAGE.

Snow, hail, rain, terrific seas and gale, marked the voyage of the North German Lloyd liner Bremen, which arrived at Plymouth yesterday from New York. Early in the voyage there was a moderate north-westerly gale, but on Christmas night the storm broke with renewed fury and lasted until Sunday night, the wind at times raging with a velocity of ninety miles per hour.

LATE NEWS.

ALLIED DEBTS.

FRANCE'S ATTITUDE.

The problem of the French debt to the United States after M. Jusserand's tentative negotiations in Washington obviously contains elements which must add to the anxieties of the French Government, states *The Times* Paris Correspondent in a message last night. The financial inventory just published by M. Clementel, the Minister of Finance, and the comments accompanying it, go some way towards explaining the French attitude, and also indicate what the French case may be when the time arrives for full discussion between the Allied Governments.

M. Clementel put forward the general claim that "strict justice would seem to demand the general addition of the expenses of the war and their sharing out among the Allied States in proportion to the wealth of each, without taking into consideration the separate engagements—*i.e.*, borrowing transactions—compelled by necessities of the moment." This is a pretty clear way of saying that when France contracted war debts she was borrowing in part on behalf of the Allies as a whole.

The Minister of Finance added that many Frenchmen of all shades of opinion point out that Great Britain and the United States, while defending Belgium and France, were also fighting to prevent a victorious Germany from imposing her tyranny on the world. The fact that French territory was the battlefield meant to the other Allies a saving in time, men and money, while it also gave France a considerable extra burden of damages, in which it is equitable that the Allies should share.

THE CHANGE IN ALBANIA.

MORE PROMISING OUTLOOK.

In a leading article upon the present situation in Albania, which, it says, seems to be as promising as could have been expected, *The Times* observes:—There have been signs of resentment in the Italian Press at the alleged assistance afforded to Ahmed Bey Zogu and his partisans from Yugo-Slavia, but even the Albanian exiles believe that Italy will accept the situation in return, they say, for some promise already made of the recognition by Yugo-Slavia of a vague Italian influence over South Albania and an increase of trade by way of Fiume.

So far as present appearances go, the truth seems to be that both Italy and Yugo-Slavia wish to treat the change of Government in Albania as purely a matter of internal Albanian politics. It may not be equally agreeable to both nations, and there seems to be some justification for the complaint that, to say the least, Yugo-Slavia did not succeed in exercising an effective control over the preparations of Ahmed Bey Zogu's party within her frontiers. But both Governments are desirous of limiting the possibilities of disturbance in the Balkans as narrowly as possible, and the rapidity with which the contest has been settled should assist them in efforts to realise their desire. Plainly the wisest action for all parties is to treat the question as closed, and this, happily, they seem much inclined to do.

PEASANT OUTBREAK IN PUNJAB.

OBJECTION TO NEW LAND TAX.

The Times Correspondent at Delhi telegraphed yesterday:—Fears that the new Land Revenue assessment approved by the Rajah of Suket, a native State in the Punjab, would bear hardly on agricultural classes have been exploited by recalcitrant landlords in Suket to stir up an agitation against the Durbar. Large crowds of peasants assembled in the capital and began looting and burning. The outbreak culminated in the burning of the Revenue Secretary's house by a mob, said to have been 8,000 strong. The ringleaders have been arrested. Colonel Minching, Agent for the Punjab States, proceeded from Lahore on Christmas morning with a detachment of Gurkhas to restore order, the Political Agent, Mr. D. G. Mackenzie, having already gone to the help of the Rajah. The Rajah's health has broken down under the strain, and he has proceeded to Dehra Dun. The situation is now reported to be normal.

The State, an offshoot of the neighbouring Mandi State six centuries ago, is comparatively unimportant. There are only 54,000 inhabitants, and two towns and twenty-eight villages. The present ruler, who succeeded in 1919, is about thirty years old.

A BRIGHTER OUTLOOK.

Everything connected with the business prospects of the country for the new year, remarks the *Daily Express*, points to a sound and permanent commercial activity, which cannot fail to have the most permanent and beneficial effects in every direction. This is not merely the expression of a pious hope, but a justifiable assumption, based on the solid facts of achievement.

DEATH OF SIR WILLIAM EMERSON.

The Times announces the death, at Shanklin, Isle of Wight, at the age of 81, of Sir William Emerson, the architect, who designed the Victoria Memorial Hall in Calcutta, and other important buildings in India and England.

"THE MAN AT THE WINDOW."

HUMORIST'S NEW PLAY.

Bristol's Little Theatre was crowded by an enthusiastic audience last night, when a new comedy in three acts, entitled "The Man at the Window," was presented for the first time on any stage. The author is Mr. Thomas Jay, the well-known humorist writer in *Punch*, and at the curtain's fall he was accorded a splendid reception.

Mr. Jay's first attempt in drama proves him a man of many parts. The play tells of one, Granville Redred, a barrister, immersed in scientific pursuits, and his wife, Marion, obsessed by the "best sellers" of a new author. The estrangement which results is terminated by the ultimate disclosure of the author's identity, which provides a surprise for the audience. Mr. Jay's distinctive gifts find expression in many epigrammatical witticisms. The plot is intriguing and the interest well sustained.

The play was efficiently produced by Rupert Harvey, and Ronald Kidd and Kathleen Alcock and Ralph Hutton, in the leading *rôles*, did excellent work. The Little Theatre Company added to their reputation by giving the piece clever and apt interpretation.

Mr. Jay was the recipient of many personal and telegraphic messages of congratulation.

AUSTRALIA'S FUTURE.

THE GOVERNOR'S PREDICTION

ADELAIDE, Monday.

Sir Thomas Bridges, the Governor, speaking at a Commemoration Day luncheon, said that it was not only men that the Commonwealth wanted, but a return to the pioneering spirit also. He foresaw the Australia of the future, as a powerful country of immense wealth, carrying a vast population, and determining the destinies of the Pacific. The world was waking up to Australia's possibilities, and it would not long remain sparsely populated.

AN AVIATION RECORD.

FRENCH AIRMAN'S CLAIM.

PARIS, Monday.

According to a message from Etampes, the French airman Doret, flying over the Ville Sauvage La Marmogne circuit, covered one thousand kilometres in 4 hours, 30 minutes, 32 3-5 seconds, an average of 221 kilometres per hour.

It is claimed that this is a world's record, the previous record of the Americans, Harris and Lockwood—205 kilometres per hour—being cited.

IRISH CATTLE IN TRANSIT.

COMPLAINTS OF BAD TREATMENT.

DELAY IN SPECIAL TRAINS.

STRONG PROTEST BY EXPORTERS.

A meeting of the Cattle Exporters' Association was held at the Committee Rooms, Commercial Buildings, Dublin, last evening, Mr. Hugh Cassidy, Chairman, presiding.

The Secretary (Mr. John P. MacAvin) reported that, as directed, he had written to Brigadier - General Browne-Clayton, with reference to a notice of motion standing in his name at a recent meeting of the Royal Dublin Society, calling attention to the bad treatment accorded to Irish cattle in transit, and at the same time intimating that the Committee of the Association would be pleased to put forward evidence in corroboration of the grievous state of affairs at present existing.

The Chairman stated that this was a matter which demanded immediate attention. Although the carrying companies exacted the highest freights and were amply remunerated in the existing charges for the care of live stock, they were out of all proportion to the amount expended in providing for the comfort and well being of the animals in transit. If the Agricultural Committee of the Royal Dublin Society wanted any evidence in support of Brigadier - General Browne-Clayton's allegations they had only to pay a visit to either Birkenhead or Merklands and observe the comparative conditions of the animals arriving from Canada and Ireland.

Notwithstanding the relatively short journey across Channel of the latter, they presented invariably a battered and bruised appearance, which was truly deplorable, whilst the former, with their careful handling and proper accommodation, were in excellent condition, and bore no evidence of ill effects from their long journey. It was inconceivable that this abuse should happen to the animals on such a short journey. The whole matter was one which deserved the sympathetic attention of the Department for Lands and Agriculture, whose clear duty it was to have a kindly eye to the animals from the fair to the cross-Channel landing place.

CATTLE "SPECIALS."

Members present complained of the unsatisfactory running of cattle specials, which appeared to be incapable of making boat connections in time, with the result that cattle had to be held over for several days.

Mr. Ryan (Thurles) instanced the case of the "special" from last Rathdowney Fair, on Monday, the 15th inst., which was ready to leave Ballybrophy at 1 o'clock on that day, but did not reach the North Wall until 7 o'clock. In consequence, the cattle had to wait over for shipment until next sailing for Silloth, the following Thursday. He contrasted the punctuality and efficiency with which the Great Northern Railway "specials" were run, over much longer distances, and always in time for shipment. It had been contended by the Great Southern Company that these delays were due to irregularities on the part of traders not carrying out the usual formalities of booking and tendering the Department's certificate and Customs specification, but the responsibility for the delay was largely due to the interminable shunting and side-tracking of cattle specials. The hope was expressed that under the new grouping of railways a decided improvement might be looked for in this respect.

Resolutions were read from the Londonderry and North-West Cattle Dealers' and Shippers' Association on the matter discussed at the meeting, and it was decided to take concerted action thereon in the proper quarters.

The question of representation on the Dublin Port and Docks Board was under consideration, and it was decided to put forward a candidate representative of the cattle exporters' interests at the next election.

The attendance included Messrs. Daniel McGranaghan, Charles Ross, Charles McKeown, J. Shaw, John O'Shaughnessy, William Fleming and Frank McGoorty.

RAILWAY BENEVOLENT FUND.

ANNUAL COLLECTION.

The Railway Benevolent Fund is one of the most useful institutions in which employés generally are interested. Its annual collection calls forth the support of all classes of railway servants and it receives many contributions from members of the public. This New Year's Day collection will take place on Thursday at all railway stations in Great Britain and Ireland, on behalf of the Casualty and General Funds of the Institution.

The number of railway employés who became members of this year's Casualty Fund was 200,951, and assistance has been rendered to no fewer than 109 widows of men killed, 644 widows of men dying from illness, and 5,357 men accidentally injured, a total increase of 698 cases compared with 1923, when an increase of 634 upon the 1922 figures took place. The total number relieved was 6,110.

The applications from necessitous widows, orphans, and permanently disabled railway workers for assistance from the General Fund continue to increase, and it is hoped by the Board of Management that the travelling and benevolent public will generously augment the contributions of the railwaymen who are engaged in such an important public service.

FISHERMEN'S TRYING TIME.

THREE DAYS ON BISCUITS.

The skippers of trawlers arriving at Aberdeen report that the full fury of the storm was felt at sea. The crew of the Hull trawler, "Gerald," which put into port yesterday, had a trying experience, having been out of provisions for three days, and arriving at Aberdeen practically on the last shovelful of coal.

The "Gerald" left Hull about a month ago for the White Sea grounds. During the whole time bad weather was experienced. After securing a catch of fish the vessel left for home, but was delayed by a strong gale, which at times prevented the vessel making much headway. Coal began to run short, as also did food and water. It was expected that Hull would be reached on Sunday night, but it was only with difficulty that the vessel made Aberdeen yesterday.

Food ran out on Christmas Day, and during the last three days the crew had to live on mouldy biscuits. They could not cook fish, as they had no fat, and all the water was required for drinking purposes.

Most of the trawlers reaching Aberdeen showed signs of severe buffeting. The Aberdeen trawler, "H. E. Stroud," lost her small boat by a heavy sea which tore it from its fastenings.

LAST NIGHT'S HEAVY RAINFALL.

Heavy rain fell in Dublin from an early hour last night until this morning. A strong, gusty wind prevailed for some hours.

Inquiries in various districts, however, showed that little damage had been done. In the port the water was remarkably calm. A few small vessels made their way in unharmed last night.

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DUBLIN THEATRES.

SECOND WEEK OF CHRISMAS FARE.

GAIETY THEATRE.

This year's pantomime, "Cinderella," at the Gaiety Theatre, Dublin, has settled speedily into smoothness and success. Bookings are heavy for the remainder of the holiday season, and especially for the four matinee performances arranged for this week.

Fred. Saker's band of jazz musicians is proving a great attraction, and the introduction of another musical element in the violin-playing by Malvina has also given pleasure.

As to the regular pantomime cast, its members have quickly won approval. Teddie Butt and Hilda Denton, as Cinderella and the Prince, are just such charming young persons as children familiar with the old story must have imagined them beforehand. Jock McNaughton, the Baron's page, seems to be devoting himself whole-heartedly to the amusement of the young folk in the audience, and combines with his colleagues on the comedy side—George McNaughton, Scholey and Scholey, and Frank Varney—to make this production one of the jolliest in the Gaiety Theatre's record of fifty pantomimes. Betty Le Brocke, Doris Crashe, and the Mozelle Sparkling Eight are others who help in the success of the latest "Cinderella" show: while to the scenic artists, the stage staff, and the orchestra belongs a great deal of the praise gained by the production.

On the spectacular side, Cinderella's journey in the fairy coach is the chief thing; and, as to comedy, the scene with the cab and the refractory cab-horse is easily the most amusing part of the pantomime.

THEATRE ROYAL.

"Puppets," produced last evening at the Theatre Royal, is a show of the revue order, from the Vaudeville Theatre, London. Although it possesses no outstanding feature of special merit, there are many moments when the actors compel the audience to laughter, and herein may be said to lie its principle attraction. It is *mélange* of dance, song and comedy acts, which follow each other in such rapid succession as not to permit of any dulness or lack of attention from beginning to end. Miss Delany in male characters acted with perfect success and sang admirably. She assumes many *rôles* throughout the piece, and secures the hearty approval of the audience.

In the scene entitled "Props," which is a stage rehearsal comedy, Miss Gladys Randall, Miss Winifred Dalle, Mr. W. E. Richardson, Mr. Norman Bowyer, Mr. Gordon Terry and Mr. Lionel Yeoman enact a very amusing sketch. The Musical Watsons are good burlesque entertainers. Mr. Terry sings the "Land Beyond the Sun" and "Auld Acquaintance Blues," in the latter of which the *ensemble* join, and thus brings down the final curtain.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"Puss in Boots" at the Queen's Theatre entered on its second week last night, when goodly audiences followed with keen interest and much enjoyment the old story, which Frank Dix and George Mayne have retold in a humorous and original style. Again the Sisters Reeve were the most successful performers of a clever company, and by their tuneful singing, nimble dancing, and general all-round ability won generous applause.

The New Macs, George McNally and Henry McFaden, are old favourites with Dublin audiences, and they provide an amount of comedy with their gagging and patter. The work of Frank Weir as the Dame also merits commendation, as does that of Jimmy Morris—a rather original "King." Harry Budd was a very entertaining Puss, and contributed some excellent acrobatic dancing and tumbling. Speciality turns were provided by Iris Holden's "Fantoches" and Lottie Stone's Famous Sixteen Dancers.

ABBEY THEATRE.

The wild and stormy weather of last night doubtless deterred many who wanted to see again Mr. Brinsley MacNamara's "The Glorious Uncertainty."

This comedy, which is equally satisfying in situations, in plot and in dialogue, never went better than last night. The lively part of the heroine was played excellently by Miss Eileen Crowe, welcomed back to the Abbey after a long illness. Mr. Barry Fitzgerald has in Sam Price a part that he can play with gusto, and Mr. P. J. Carolan well portrays Gabriel Cuneen. Miss Sara Allgood, Messrs. W. J. Dolan, Peter Nolan, F. J. M'Cormick, and Arthur Shields each plays an admirable character part. "The Glorious Uncertainty" is worth a visit if only to hear Mr. Gabriel Fallon describing as he sees it from the window of a publichouse the race for the "Ballycamoyle Grand National."

OLYMPIA THEATRE.

The attendances at the Olympia Theatre last night indicated that the pantomime, "Babes in the Wood," which had its first performance during the season there on St. Stephen's Day, is maintaining the popularity that it then won. The artists have "warmed up" to their parts, and laughter punctuated the production with regularity. Bobbie Graham was eminently successful as a comedian, and Cissie Nadene (principal boy), Olive Aubrey (principal girl), Bruce Cameron, Doris West, Clarice Caine, Dorothy Rene, Betty Rene, Will Pfounds and Audrey Beauchamp were all up to the standard of that of the opening day. Special items were contributed by Grar and Grar (the robbers in the pantomime). Laura Little's Six Spotlights, and Madam Cordell's Six Petites.

TIVOLI THEATRE.

At the opening of their second week at the Tivoli Theatre last night Mr. Alf. E. Dodds' Dixie Minstrels again attracted large and enthusiastic audiences. An entirely new programme is presented, and the whole performance goes with a freshness and vigour that is wholesome. A novel opening is made with the Savoy American Medley by the Dixie Jazbos, while other items that are rendered most effectively are the baritone "Nightingale" song, "Say it with the Ukelele"; "La La," "Money in Bank," with big boot dance; "I'll Tell the World," and "Old Pal." The violin playing of Bert Dixon, who dances while playing, was much appreciated. The four cornermen create a lot of fun by their spirited singing of the concerted item, "Murphy, McCarthy, McGinty, and Magee." New "gags" are employed by the cornermen to liven up the proceedings, and right through the programme there is almost continuous laughter.

Among the company are Al Sharpe, first tambo; Billy Dodds, speciality dancer and saxophonist; Ted Rose, vocalist and big boot dancer; Billy Dunne, first bones; Dave Hunter, baritone; Loll Park, ragtime singer; Jack Jervis, banjoist; G. W. Foster, pianist; and Harry Braithwaite, interlocutor.

Other "turns" that make a strong appeal to the audience are those of Karene, comedy conjuror; Kioto, a clever Japanese equilibrist, assisted by Miss Rene; and Griff, "the babbling bubble blower and his comical bubble juggling doll."

IRISH LIGHTS SERVICE PRE-WAR PENSIONERS.

QUESTION IN THE DAIL.

Before the Christmas adjournment of the Dail Alderman Byrne asked the Minister for Finance whether communications from the British Colonial Office requesting the concurrence of the Saorstat Government in conferring the benefits of the Pension (Increase) Act, 1924, on the pre-war pensioners of the Irish Lights Service have been received, and, if so, whether he will state what reply, if any, has been sent, in view of the fact that pensioners are still deprived of the benefits referred to.

The Minister replied as follows:—The communications referred to have been received, and a reply is now being sent to them. The question whether the benefit of the Pension (Increase) Act, recently passed by the British Parliament, should be conferred on the pre-war pensioners of the Irish Lights Service is entirely for the British Government to determine, as any financial liability in respect of such benefits would fall on the British Government.

A Relief Committee in Longford distributed coal and groceries to the poor of the town on Christmas Eve.

Thousands of ladies keep a box of Martin's pills in the house. Those who use them recommend them, hence their enormous sale. Price 5s. Sold by all Chemists and Stores; or post free from Proprietors, Martin, Chemists, Southampton.—(Advt.)

THE SHIPBUILDING INDUSTRY.

EMPLOYERS' GLOOMY VIEW.

Writing in the special industrial review number of the *Glasgow Herald* this morning, Mr. John Barr, President of the Shipbuilding Employers' Federation, says:—The immediate position and outlook in the industry are now exceedingly grave. He goes on to state that the work in hand, where there was any, was approaching completion, and there was little, and in many shipyards nothing, to fill up empty berths. The few orders which were obtainable were taken by builders without hope of any profit, and in many cases the tender prices made only part provision, and in some cases no provision, for establishment charges.

Such a condition of affairs could not continue indefinitely, nor even for much longer. The feeling actuating shipbuilders generally had been to carry on as best they could, and in doing so they were considering the interests of the workmen rather than those of shareholders.

With respect to wages, Mr. Barr is of opinion that a commencement should be made in taking action in an endeavour to re-establish a parity of values of the different services rendered by workpeople, and he points to the anomaly of miners in some cases receiving £4 a week for hewing coal, while dockers engaged in loading the same commodity received £9 a week. If, he adds, parity of values were established it would assist export trade to become economically competitive again.

ORDERS ON THE TYNE.

Orders for three or four new vessels have been booked by Tyne shipbuilders, including one for a contract for a collier for the South Metropolitan Gas Company, London, placed with the Tyne Iron Shipbuilding Company, Wellington quay.

OBITUARY.

COLONEL EUSTACE DUCKETT.

On Friday morning last the death occurred in a private nursing home in Dublin of Colonel Eustace Duckett after a severe attack of appendicitis. The news of his death caused keen regret in his native district of Tullow and throughout the County Carlow. He belonged to one of the oldest families in the county. The eldest son of the late Mr. Hardy Eustace Duckett, Castlemore House, Tullow, he was a large landowner and held considerable house property in the Tullow district. He was deservedly popular amongst his tenantry, whom he always treated with fairness and consideration. For many years he was a well-known figure on the magisterial bench in the County Carlow, and it might be said of him that he always tempered justice with mercy. He saw active service with the Army during the Boer War. Deep sympathy is felt with his widow, son and two daughters in their bereavement. On Monday the remains were interred in the New Cemetery, Tullow. The funeral *cortège* was of very large proportions, and was representative of all classes and creeds in the county.

THE REV. S. G. KENNEDY.

The death of the Rev. Professor S. G. Kennedy, LL.D., a member of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, has taken place at his residence, the Drain's Bay, Larne. Professor Samuel Guiler Kennedy, who was 62 years of age, came of a well-known County Antrim family. Having graduated B.A. at Queen's College, Belfast, he was licensed to the ministry two years later, and ordained at Wishaw. In his Scottish charge he displayed such high qualities as pastor, preacher, and scholar, that he was selected for the responsible appointment of minister of the College Street South Reformed Presbyterian Church, Belfast, on the death of Rev. Josias A. Chancellor, D.D. He assumed the duties in 1898 with characteristic zeal. In the following year he took the degree of LL.D. from the Royal University, in celebration of which he was presented with an illuminated address and other gifts. He was, several years ago, appointed Professor in Church History and Pastoral Theology in connection with the Theological Hall of the Reformed Presbyterian Church.

THE REV. PETER KERLEY.

Early on Sunday morning the death took place of the Rev. Peter Kerley, who has been parish priest of Cullyhanna, South Armagh, for the past 34 years. He was the oldest active parish priest in the Archdiocese of Armagh, and the second in order of seniority. The deceased clergyman was four months older than the late Cardinal Logue, whose project to complete the Armagh Cathedral he ably supported by the collection of considerable sums of money throughout the South of Ireland. He was a Louth man by birth, and his first curacy after ordination in Maynooth was at Markethill. He was a priest of remarkable energy, and it was frequently said of him that he made Cullyhanna a model parish.

THE REV. JOHN HENRY WEEKS.

The Baptist Missionary Society announces the death, on Christmas Eve, of the Rev. John Henry Weeks, a retired missionary, who rendered distinguished pioneer service on the Congo in the early days of the mission. Mr. Weeks did important work in the translation and preparation of literature for the native Church. He retired from active service in 1912 owing to ill-health.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL H. M. HUTCHINSON.

The death took place last Friday, at the Military Hospital, Millbank, of Lieutenant-Colonel Hugh Moore Hutchinson, York and Lancaster Regiment, late Connaught Rangers. Born in 1874, the son of the late Rev. S. Hutchinson, he was educated at Cheltenham College and Sandhurst. Entering the Army in 1894, he saw service at Sierra Leone, in the South African War, in the Sudan in 1904, 1906 and 1911, in Southern Kordofan, and in the late war. For his services in South Africa, when he was twice dangerously wounded, he was awarded a D.S.O., and in 1918 he was invested C.M.G. for his services in the late war, in which he was again wounded. He married, in 1914, Eileen Millicent, youngest daughter of Minton Goode, by whom he had one son.

PAUL MARTINETTI.

News was received in London yesterday of the death, at Algiers, where he was staying for his health, of Paul Martinetti, the well-known pantomimist. Mr. Martinetti, who was seventy-three years of age, retired from the stage about fifteen years ago, after a long and successful theatrical and music hall career. He was an important witness in the Crippen case. With Mrs. Martinetti he was present at an evening party at Dr. Crippen's house, and a few days later Crippen informed them that his wife had gone to America. Later, when they read a notice of Mrs. Crippen's death in the United States, their suspicions were aroused and inquiries were instituted. It was suggested by the prosecution at Crippen's trial that he poisoned his wife immediately after the dinner at which Mr. and Mrs. Martinetti were guests.

COLONEL E. P. HERBERT.

Colonel E. P. Herbert died at his residence, Orleton Hall, Wellington, Salop, on Sunday night last, after a long illness. He was cousin to the Earl of Powis, and was a son of the late Hon. R. C. Herbert, for many years Chancellor to the Lichfield Diocese. Colonel Herbert is succeeded by his eldest son, Captain Herbert.

LIQUOR ACT REGULATIONS.

In conformity with one of the provisions of the Intoxicating Liquor Act, which came into operation yesterday, publichouses remained open until 10 o'clock last night, instead of 9.30 o'clock, as was required by the 1923 Act.

Copies of the new regulations are being supplied to the Dublin Metropolitan Police, and to the Civic Guard Stations in the Free State.

MALE CLERICAL OFFICERS.
Limited Competition.
Exam. expected early in 1925. At the July, 1924, Examination (100 vacancies) Students of SKERRY'S COLLEGE, 76 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, obtained 35 appointments. BEST RESULT. Special Oral and Correspondence Classes working.—(Advt.)

DUBLIN AND THE PROVINCES.

LEINSTER.

UNKNOWN MAN DROWNED.—An inquest into the death of an unknown man who was washed ashore from the Shannon near Newtownforbes was held last Friday. The body was fully clothed, but in an advanced stage of decomposition. The jury returned a verdict of "Found drowned." The remains were afterwards removed to Longford County Hospital, where they await identification.

DANGEROUS TOY GUN.—A little boy named Phibbs, living with his parents in Great Water street, Longford, was playing with a toy gun on Christmas Day, when it jammed. While looking down the barrel the toy was discharged, and the missile struck the lad in the eye with great force. He was removed to a Dublin hospital for treatment.

MILKING NEIGHBOUR'S COWS.—Police at Mullinavat, Co. Kilkenny, arrested two men at 2.30 a.m. yesterday on a charge of unlawfully milking cows in a neighbour's stables. One of the men was carrying a can of milk.

RACEHORSE OWNER DEAD.—The death has occurred after a brief illness of Mr. Thomas Blackmore, aged 40, of Bishopslough, Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny, who was owner of the hurdle racehorse No Worry. Mr. Blackmore was a member of the local rural council for some years.

PUBLIC-HOUSE RAIDED.—Last Saturday night two men entered Brennan's public-house, Lower Cecil street, Limerick, and after intimidating the proprietress, stole a cash-box containing a considerable amount of money. They were pursued by two soldiers, and in the course of their flight dropped the box. One of the soldiers continued the chase and succeeded in capturing one of the alleged raiders.

LIMERICK SPORTSMAN DEAD.—The death took place at Limerick last Saturday of Mr. John M. O'Sullivan, for many years an official of the Limerick General Post Office. He was well-known in Irish Rugby circles, and was one of the founders of Garryowen Football Club.

ULSTER.

SHOTS AT DONEGAL DANCE.—When a Dungloe policeman was entering a dance hall at Burtonport, a man presented a revolver at him. The policeman closed with his assailant and disarmed him, and another policeman struck the gunman with his truncheon. Four other men then attacked the police, one of whom fired a few shots with the revolver which he had seized, and the attackers then withdrew.

NORTHERN IRELAND.

CHARGES AGAINST "SPECIALS" DISMISSED.—At a special court at Kilkeel yesterday, John Toner, a "Special," stationed at Greencastle, County Down, was charged with having, on the night of November 3rd, assaulted Edward Doran and Michael Joseph McDermott, who declined to prosecute. The evidence of Doran and McDermott was that at 10 o'clock on the night in question Toner called with his bicycle, which had broken down. There was a card party in the house at the time, and he asked for a "hand" of cards, which was given him, but he declined to play, and then made all in the house "stand up," and searched some of them, "taking the others for granted that they had no revolvers on them." He then fired a shot through the roof of the house, and took Doran and McDermott down to a room, where he questioned them about signalling to the Free State, and punched both of them in the body with his revolver. The accused man admitted that he had some "drink taken" that night, and searched some of those in the house, but denied assaulting the men. The Bench held that the assault was a trifling one, and dismissed the case.

FOOTBALL IN DERRY.—An assault on a referee at a Londonderry football match was described at the local Petty Sessions last Saturday, when cases were heard in which Hugh Lynch, 48 Walker's place, and Owen Bonner, 19 Fahan street, summoned each other for assault. Lynch, who said that he was a referee, told the magistrates that when about to blow the whistle for the last goal, Bonner struck him on the face. A Magistrate—Which side did you represent? Witness—I was representing the side that paid me. Bonner said that he was not assaulted. Magistrate—You summon Lynch for assault, and you admit you were not struck at all. Go down. The magistrates fined Bonner 2s. 6d., and dismissed the other case.

TWICE WOUNDED AT SIXTEEN.—James Clements, or Monaghan, of Omagh, was charged in Belfast yesterday with loitering and attempting to commit suicide. While on remand the accused man was re-arrested on the charge of falsely representing himself to be a police officer, and on being taken to the barracks he tried to cut his throat with a razor. A brother-in-law said that the defendant had been "queer in the head" since he was wounded in the war. Prisoner—I got two wounds in my head at the war when I was sixteen years of age. Clements was committed for trial.

STRABANE UNION COSTS.—The report of the auditor shows that while the total number of days' maintenance of patients in the Strabane District Hospital has decreased, the average cost per inmate has increased from 12s. 10d. to 15s. 1½d. The clerk said that the fewer the patients the higher was the average cost. The accounts, said the auditor, in both the cases of the Board of Guardians and the District Hospital were kept in a satisfactory manner.

BELFAST IMPROVEMENT WORKS.—Belfast Finance Committee has recommended the City Council to seek permission from the Home Office to borrow £20,000 for street widening, sewer works, laying-out and equipment of children's play-ground in Ballymacarrett, and providing a depôt in connection with the Highways Department.

DISPENSARY IN PUBLICHOUSE.—The Local Government Board has approved the proposal of the Strabane Board of Guardians that the landlord of the Cranagh Dispensary premises shall be paid a rent of £10 a year. The medical officer has reported to the Board that he is quite satisfied with the reconstruction of the place. Formerly the dispensary was part of a publichouse, but structural alterations have separated the depôt from the bar.

"WIRELESS" FOR SAILORS' REST.—A three-valve wireless receiving set, with loud speaker, has been presented to the Sailors' Rest, Dock street, Belfast, by Mr. S. Gray. The set was formally handed over at the annual dinner to sailors, which took place in the Clarence Place Hall, last Saturday, under the auspices of the British and Foreign Sailors' Society.

THE LATE DR. PALMER.—At the County Armagh Infirmary Board meeting, yesterday, on the motion of the Primate, a resolution of sympathy was passed with Mrs. Palmer and family on the death of Dr. Palmer, who for fifty years was connected with the County Infirmary.

TYRONE VACCINATION DEFAULTERS.—The Relieving Officer reported to the Strabane Board of Guardians that of the thirty-five vaccination defaulters in the Donemana Dispensary district reported to the Board at the previous meeting, ten had since been vaccinated and four were unfit. The Board instructed the officer to prosecute in all cases where the defaulters are a year in default.

PORTADOWN PRESENTATIONS.—An address and cheque has been presented by the inhabitants of Portadown to Dr. James L. Rowlett, as a mark of appreciation of his services during the many years that he held the office of dispensary doctor in urban and rural districts. Mr. Stuart Green, who is retiring from the principalship of Edgarstown, Portadown, School, after twenty-six years' service, has received presentations from the teaching staff and past and present pupils.

Mr. John R. Patterson, of Skeog House, Brookeborough, Co. Tyrone, farmer, died suddenly in the local Post Office yesterday afternoon.

DUBLIN SHIPPING REPORT.

Wind and Weather—S.W. to S.S.W. wind; strong breeze; dull and overcast.

Foreign Arrival—Ss. Mercia, of Arild (Sweden), 773 tons register, Captain Rohman, from Sundsvall, with a cargo of flooring boards, etc.; discharging at Alexandra Basin.

Coastwise Arrivals—Ss. Yarrow, from Silloth, with goods; ss. Cato, from Bristol, with goods; ss. Snowdon, from Holyhead, with goods; ss. Thelma, ss. Zillah, from Garston, with coals; ss. Saint Mungo, from Ayr, with coals.

Foreign Departures—Twin screw motor ship Narragansett, of Barrow, 4,996 tons register, Captain Tyrrell, for Plymouth, with part cargo (oil); ss. Dunmore Head, of Belfast, 1,056 tons register, Captain Pinkerton, for Belfast, with part cargo (general); ss. Havdrot, of Christiania (Norway), 713 tons register, Captain Lydersen, for Belfast, with part cargo (fruit and general).

Coastwise Departures—Ss. South Stack, ss. Slieve Bawn, for Holyhead, with goods; ss. Lady Limerick, for Liverpool, with goods; ss. Maple, for Glasgow, with goods; ss. Brier, for Heysham, with goods; ss. Yarrow, for Silloth, with goods; ss. Cato, for Bristol, with goods; ss. Silverfield, for Partington, light; ss. Thelma, for Garston, light.

BROADCASTING.

TO-DAY.

The letters "S.B." signify a Simultaneous Broadcast from the station mentioned.

LONDON (2LO)—365 Metres.
1.0-2.0—Greenwich Time Signal; Concert; The "2LO" Trio and J. C. Fowler (baritone). 4.0-5.0—Greenwich Time Signal; "Books to Read," by Ann Spice; Organ and Orchestral Music. 5.30-6.15—Children. 6.40-6.55—Mr. M. J. Woddis, "Marriage Customs Among Many People." 7.0—Time Signal from Big Ben. Weather and News; S.B. to all Stations; Major Richard Rigg, "The History of the Union Jack"; S.B. to all Stations; Local News. 7.30—Dan Jones (tenor), Cedric Sharpe (violoncello), The Amboyna Banjo Quartet, Marthe Hugentobler (Swiss Yodeller), "The Studio Stormers," "The Operatic Police" and "Roving We Will Go" (plays). 9.30—Time Signal from Greenwich, Weather, and News; S.B. to all Stations; Sir Halford Mackinder, "The Mother Country"; S.B. to all Stations. 10.0—The Savoy Orpheans and Savoy Havana Bands; S.B. to all Stations. 11.0—Close.

BIRMINGHAM (5IT)—475 Metres.
3.30-4.30—Orchestra. 5.0-5.30—Women. 5.30-6.45—Children. 7.0—Weather and News; Major Richard Rigg; S.B. from London. 7.30—The Station Orchestra, Louis Hertel (entertainer), William Macready, Frank V. Fenn, Edna Lester, and Edna Godfrey-Turner (players). 8.15—"The Wall Between," a Farce in One Act. 9.30—Weather and News; Sir Halford Mackinder; S.B. from London. 10.0—The Savoy Bands. 11.0—Close.

BOURNEMOUTH (6BM)—385 Metres.
3.45-5.0—Women; The Royal Bath Hotel Dance Orchestra. 5.0-6.30—Children. 6.30-6.45—Farmers. 7.0—Weather and News; Major Richard Rigg; S.B. from London. 7.30—Ernest Eady (baritone), Harold Stroud (tenor), Adeline Senior (soprano), The Wireless Orchestra. 9.30—Weather and News; Sir Halford Mackinder; S.B. from London. 10.0—The Savoy Bands. 11.0—Close.

CARDIFF (5WA)—351 Metres.
3.30-4.0—The Station Trio. 4.0-4.45—The Carlton Orchestra. 4.45-5.15—"5WA'S" "Five O'Clocks." 5.15-6.0—Children. 7.0—Weather and News; Major Richard Rigg; S.B. from London. 7.30—Kenneth Ellis (bass), Gladys Palmer (contralto), Charles Wreford (entertainer), The Station Orchestra. 9.30—Weather and News; Sir Halford Mackinder; S.B. from London; Local News. 10.0—The Savoy Bands. 11.0—Close.

MANCHESTER (2ZY)—375 Metres.
12.30-1.30—Organ. 3.30-4.30—Concert by the "2ZY" Quartet. 4.30-5.0—Women. 5.0-6.0—Children. 7.0—Weather and News; Major Richard Rigg; S.B. from London. 7.30—Winifred Small (violin), Maurice Cole (pianoforte), Florence Gaunt (contralto). 9.30—Weather and News; Sir Halford Mackinder; S.B. from London; Local News. 10.0—The Savoy Bands. 11.0—Close.

NEWCASTLE (5NO)—400 Metres.
11.30-12.30—Harold Dixon (oboe), Freda Johnston (contralto), Orchestra. 3.45-5.15—The Alex. Thomson Quartet Party; Charles Nairn (trombone). 5.15-6.30—Children. 7.0—Weather and News; Major Richard Rigg; S.B. from London. 7.30—"Fact and Fancy or Forty Winks," an Operatic Absurdity in One Act; Alex. Thomson Quartet Party. The Station Orchestra, Pitt and Marks (entertainers), Ralph Baulks (solo flute), The Station Orchestra, John Duxbury (Dickens Recital). 9.30—Weather and News; Sir Halford Mackinder; S.B. from London. 10.0—John Duxbury: Recital, "The Cricket on the Hearth." 10.30—The Savoy Bands. 11.0—Close.

GLASGOW (5SC)—420 Metres.
3.30-4.50—The Wireless Quartet; Miriam Wood (dramatic soprano). 5.15-6.0—Children. 6.0-6.5—Weather for Farmers. 7.0—Weather and News; Major Richard Rigg; S.B. from London. 7.30—George Hutchison (humorous Reader), Arthur Ackerman and Jenny Wynne (duettists). The Station Orchestra. 8.0—The Scottish Orchestra. 9.30—Weather and News; Sir Halford Mackinder; S.B. from London. 10.0—Arthur Ackerman and Jenny Wynne. 10.10—The Savoy Bands. 11.0—Close.

LIVERPOOL (6LV)—315 Metres.
11.30-12.30—Concert. 4.0-5.0—State Brighter Liverpool Band. 5.30-6.30—Children. 7.0-11.0—London Programme.

BELFAST (2BE)—435 Metres.
4.0-5.0—The "2BE" Quintet. 5.30-6.15—Children. 6.40-6.55—Mr. H. Mortimer Batten; S.B. from Edinburgh. 7.0—Weather and News; Major Richard Rigg; S.B. from London. 7.30—The Station Orchestra, S. Adams (baritone), Kathleen Thomson (solo pianoforte); Orchestra: Selection, "The Beggar's Opera" (Austin); Folk Songs, S. Adams; Orchestra: "Fantasy on Irish Folk Tunes" (Hay); "Molly on the Shore" (Grainger); The Warnock Players: "Mrs. Bates' Saturday Night" (A. M. Warnock). Cast: Mrs. Bates, Anna Warnock; Mrs. Finlay, Jeannie Erskine; Maggie, Ann Johnson; Dan Toorish, Drummond Adair. Scene: In Mrs. Bates' Shop. Orchestra: "English Folk Sonk Suite" (Vaughan Williams). S. Adams; Folk Songs. Orchestra: "Children's Overture" (Quilter). Kathleen Thomson: "La Cathédrale Engloutie" (Debussy); "An Island Spell" (Ireland); Nocturne for Left Hand (Scriabin); Selection, "The Rose" (Myddleton). 9.30—Weather and News; S.B. from London; Sir Halford Mackinder; S.B. from London. 10.0—The Savoy Bands; S.B. from London. 11.0—Close.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

EXCESSIVE TAXATION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—Deputy Good's statement to the Galway Chamber of Commerce provokes serious thought, but the relative position is really worse than he suggested:—

(1) Against payment of every 18s. in income tax by an individual in Northern Ireland, a Free Stater pays 20s.—namely, eleven *per cent.* more.

(2) Against every 18s. taxation paid by a corporate body registered in Northern Ireland, a similar company in the Free State pays 24s.—namely, thirty-three and a third *per cent.* more.

(3) Every £1 profit earned by the same company in the Free State is subject to 30 *per cent.* first charge in taxation; that is to say, it is allowed to retain only 14s. of every £ for distribution to proprietors, depreciation, reserves, income tax, etc.

(4) The same company in the Free State must make 28s. 7d. profit to retain £1 profit for disposal or distribution after taxation.

The Deputy spoke of "diversion to England" because of the excessive burdens here. Unfortunately, the facility for exodus is greater—across the border is enough. While his cautious attitude towards tariffs must be commended, yet agriculture is so closely interested in certain essential industries that a policy of safeguarding the latter should not be overlooked until taxation, cost of living and cost of production are on an equal footing at least with the other country. If national and individual wealth in the Free State is any criterion, we are overtaxed, directly and indirectly, two or three thousand *per cent.* as compared with England. Financial anæmia is serious enough, but taxation on the present basis is bleeding the country to death.—Yours, etc.,

"CORKONIAN."

Cork, December 27th, 1924.

THE BURSTING OF DAMS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—The account of the bursting of the dam at Roanoke, Virginia, U.S.A., which you published in your issue of Saturday last, should be instructive reading to the inhabitants of Ballymore Eustace, Leixlip and Lucan. The bursting of this comparatively small dam (according to the estimate of the amount of water held up) resulted in nine deaths, thirty-five injuries, some which are not expected to recover, and the destruction of several houses. What might be expected if the huge dams which are projected at Poulaphouca and Leixlip should give way?

I have no doubt that the engineers who designed the Roanoke Dam pooh-poohed the idea of any danger just as emphatically as the engineers of these Liffey schemes do—but facts are more stubborn things than theories.—Yours, etc.,

R. CLAUDE CANE.

Alen's Grove, Celbridge, Co. Kildare,
December 29th, 1924.

A DECEMBER GARDEN.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—The following list of plants and shrubs in bloom in my garden on Christmas Day may be of interest to your horticultural readers:—Escallonia Montevidensis, E. edinensis, Eupatorium weinremarriana, Hamamelis japonica, Ceanothus papillosus, Prunus microlepis, Pyrus japonica, Teucrium latifolium, Malvastrum capense, Grevillia alpina, G. sulphurea, G. rosmarinifolia, Laburnum autumnale, Genista cinearea (I think), Malva coccinea, Hydrangea hortensis, Veronica (various), Coronilla coronata, Helleborus (various), Winter jessamine, Anchusa myosotifolia, Iberis semperflorens, Hypericum calycinum, Rosmarinus procumbens, Doronicum orientale, Calceolaria albescens, Campanula garganica, Cynoglossum amplexicaule, varieties of scabious, pentstemon, primrose (blue, yellow, red), polyanthus, violets, roses, gladiolus and Schizostylis coccinea.—Yours, etc.,

T. S. LINDSAY,
Archdeacon of Dublin.

Malahide, December 27th, 1924.

DUBLIN STRIKES.

THE CHANGE AT THE FISH MARKET.

A large force of police was placed on duty at the Dublin Fish Market yesterday, when it was intended to engage porters from the ranks of the Transport and General Workers' Union in place of strikers belonging to the Workers' Union. There was no fish to be handled, however, and the staff change was postponed. Business at the market has been virtually at a standstill since the 20th September.

There has been no change in the situation created by the strike of fifteen bill-posters employed by Messrs. David Allen and Sons, Dublin. Picketing was continued yesterday.

McGUIRE'S COLLEGE, DUBLIN.
All Classes resume work to-day (Tuesday). Prospectus free on application to the Secretary, Upper O'Connell street.—(Advt.)

U.S. MARKETS.

IRREGULAR CLOSING OF STOCKS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

NEW YORK, Monday.

Stocks opened strong, but soon became irregular, and prices fluctuated widely, due to high money rates, bear selling, realising and pool operations. Leading Industrials were sold freely in the last hour, and the market closed irregular. Government Bonds easy; Railroad Bonds irregular. The day's sales totalled 1,950,000 shares. Money on call closed strong at 5¼ per cent. bid and 5½ per cent. asked. Actual business was done at from 4 to 5¼ per cent., the ruling rate being 4 per cent.; the last loan was made at 5¼ per cent. Sterling Exchange steady. Silver ⅛c. lower for foreign mined at 66⅛. Gold to the value of $1,000,000 has been engaged for export to London.

Rises—Chesapeake and Ohio Common, 2¾; Erie Railroad Shares, Illinois Central, Wabash Preferred, and Bethlehem Steel Common, ½; Louisville and Nashville, ⅜; New York Consolidated Gas, 1; General Electric, 5⅜; Shell Ordinary, 1½; and United States Rubber, 1½.

Falls—Atchison Topeka and Santa Fe Shares, Atchison Topeka Preferred, Missouri Pacific and Reading First Preferred, ½; Baltimore and Ohio Common and Great Northern Preferred, 1⅛; Canadian Pacific and Union Pacific Common, ⅞; Chicago North-Western Ordinary, Missouri Kansas and Texas, Ontario and Western and Southern Pacific Common, ⅜; Norfolk and Western Common and Utah Copper, 1⅞; Lehigh Valley Shares and Reading Shares, 1½; American Smelting and Refining Common, 1; National Lead, 2; General Motors, 1½; and International Mercantile Marine Common, ⅞.

RAILROAD EARNINGS.

For the month of November:—Northern Pacific, gross $9,547,000; decrease $455,000.

Chesapeake and Ohio, gross $9,196,000; increase $808,000.

Great Northern, gross $12,069,000; decrease $149,000.

Southern Railway, gross $12,076,000; decrease $654,000.

Atchison Topeka and Santa Fe, gross $22,258,000; increase $196,000.

Louisville and Nashville, gross $11,535,000; increase $103,000.

Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific, gross $11,135,000; decrease $61,000.

	Nom.	S-b. Sa.
Call Money ...		
Exchange on Lon. 60 days sight	4.69	4.70⅜
Do. do Demand Bills	4.71⅜	4.73⅛
Cable Transfers	4.72	4.73¼
Do. Montreal ...	4.73⅛	4.74⅛
Exchange Paris, cable	5.40¼	5.40⅛

Eng. Parity	Stocks.	Closing Bid Prices. Sat.	Business Done. Mon.
107⅛	U.S. Funded	102¼	102¼
124⅛	Atch. Top., Santa Fe	118½	118
101⅜	Do. Preference	96½	96⅛
8⅜	Baltimore and Ohio	80⅞	79
157⅜	Canadian Pacific	150	149⅛
101½	Chesapeake Ohio Com.	94	96¾
16⅜	Chic., Mil., & St. Paul	15¾	15⅛
74⅛	Chicago and N.-West	71	70¾
32⅛	Erie Shares	30¾	31¼
47⅛	Erie 1st Preferred	45	44¾
74	Great Northern Pref.	71¼	70⅛
121⅛	Illinois Central	115	115½
80¾	Lehigh Valley	77¾	76⅛
114¾	Louisville & Nashville	107⅛	108¾
29⅛	Missouri, Kan., & Texas	28⅛	27⅜
32⅛	Missouri Pacific New	31⅛	31
5⅛	Nat. of Mexico 1st Pref.	5	5
2⅛	Do. 2nd Pref.	2⅛	2⅛
125¾	N.Y. Ctl. & Hudson R.	119⅛	119⅛
136⅛	Norfolk and West Com.	131½	129¾
74¾	Northern Pacific Com.	70⅜	70⅜
26⅛	Ontario and Western	26	25⅞
50⅜	Pennsylvania Shares	48⅛	49
77⅛	Reading Shares	75	73¾
39½	Do Preferred	38	37½
82⅛	Southern Railway	78⅛	78⅛
107⅛	Southern Pacific	103	102¾
48	Texas and Pacific	45¼	45⅛
136⅛	Union Pacific	149½	148⅜
78¾	Do. Pref.	74⅛	74⅛
22⅛	Wabash Common	21⅛	21⅛
60⅛	Do. Preferred A.	57¼	57¼
103⅛	American Smelt. and Refining	99½	98¾
50⅛	Anaconda Copper	47½	47½
26⅛	British-American Tobacco Ord.	25¼	25¼
91⅛	Utah Copper	88	88¼
82⅛	New York Consolidated Gas	76¾	77⅛
316⅛	General Electric	294½	299¼
166⅛	National Lead	160	158
126⅛	United States Steel Common	119⅞	120
129⅛	Do. Pref.	122⅛	122⅛
53⅛	Bethlehem Steel Com. Stock	49⅞	50⅜
—	Silver Commercial Bars	66¾	66½
68¾	General Motors (New)	66⅛	65⅛
13⅛	Inter. Mer. Marine Com Certs.	13⅛	12⅞
46⅛	Do. Pref. Certs.	44	43¾
54⅛	Royal Dutch Ordinary	50⅞	51¾
43¼	Shell Ordinary	39½	41
67⅛	Pan-American Petroleum Ord.	64	64
19⅛	Anglo-American Oil	18⅛	18⅛
23⅛	Snell Union Oil Corp.	21⅛	21⅞
44⅛	U.S. Rubber	40⅛	41⅞
	BONDS.		
93½	Atch. Top. New 4% Gen. Mort.	88¼	88¼
67	Erie Rail. Gen. 4% Lien Bonds	63½	63½
—	Reading 4 p.c. Mortgage Bonds	—	—
95⅛	Union Pacific 4 p.c. Bonds	—	90⅞
110⅛	U.S. Steel 2nd Mort. 5% Bds.	104⅛	104⅛
122⅛	U.K. 5½ per cent. Bonds, 1929	115⅛	115¾
110⅞	Do. do. 1937	—	105

*Asked. † Ex div. ‡ Ex interest. § Ex rights.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKETS.

WHEAT easy, 3c. to 1⅛c. lower.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
No. 2 Hard Winter, spot	190½	192
No. 2 Red Winter, spot	198¾	201
No. 2 Mixed Durum, spot ...	189	192
No. 1 Northern Manitoba, spot ...	207½	209

	To-day.	Same day last year.	This season.	Last season.
Receipts—Atlan.	497	399	197,239	150,969
Clearances „ ...	456	929	191,781	136,291

(In thousands of bushels.)

RYE—No. 2, spot, 159.
Sales for export—40 boat-loads.
BARLEY—American malting, 103.
MAIZE easy, 1c. down.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Western No. 2 mixed, spot ...	143	144

	To-day.	Same day last year.	This season.	Last season.
Receipts—Atlan.	28	89	5,313	6,783
Clearances „ ...	41	9	1,518	1,918

(In thousands of bushels.)

The visible supply of wheat in the United States decreased 2,332,000 bushels on the week, and the visible supply of corn in the United States increased 2,528,000 bushels on the week.

WEEKLY GRAIN STATISTICS.

(In thousands of bushels.)

	This week.	Last week.	Same week last year.
Wheat—United States visible supply	94,491	96,823	74,833
Wheat — Canadian visible supply	Unrecd.	27,922	43,202
Maize—United States visible supply	16,302	13,774	8,799
Wheat—Export clearances from Atlantic seaboard for Europe	4,002	5,436	2,962
Maize—Export clearances from Atlantic seaboard for Europe	11	25	225
Oats — Export clearances from Atlantic seaboard for Europe	35	454	194
Flour — Export clearances from Atlantic seaboard for Europe (barrels)	203	312	327

LARD steady and unchanged to 5 points up. Prime Western steam, 17.80; Middle West, 17.50 to 17.60.

FLOUR steady. Spring clears, 100 per cent., 7.50 to 8.00.

FREIGHTS.

Heavy grain to Great Britain, per qr.—2/6-3/-.
Heavy grain to Continent, per 100lbs.—12c.-14c.
Cotton—High density to Great Britain, per 100lbs.—35c.
Ditto—Standard bales—50c.

RUBBER very steady. First latex crêpe, 39½ buyers, 39¾ sellers; smoked ribbed sheets, 39¼ buyers, 39½ sellers.

PETROLEUM steady.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Mid-Continent Crude ...	1.10	1.10
Standard White in cases ...	16.90	16.90
Standard White in barrels ...	13.50	13.50
Do. Philadelphia ...	13.50	13.50
Pennsylvania crude ...	3.00 3.10	3.00 3.10

COFFEE opened irregular and unchanged to 18 points higher, and showed further improvement owing to European purchases, an expected more active spot demand and buying by importers, trade interests, Wall street houses and Brazilian operators. Later, under realising sales, partial recessions were made, but the market closed steady at 15 to 35 points gain. Spot firm, ⅛c. up for Rio No. 7 and 1c. dearer for Santos No. 4. Rio No. 7 spot, 23¼; Santos No. 4 spot, 28¼. Approximate day's sales—144,000 bags.

Futures—Options—	Jan.	Mar.	May.	June.
To-day	22.15	21.75	20.55	20.25
Prev. day	22.00	21.40	20.30	20.00
	July.	Sept.	Dec. 1925.	
To-day	19.90	19.22	18.37	
Prev. day	19.65	18.95	—	

The stocks of Brazilian coffee in the United States amount to 383,000 bags, compared with 490,000 bags last week. The week's warehouse deliveries aggregate 126,000 bags, against 173,000 last week.

SUGAR irregular, 2 points up to 2 points down. Centrifugal Cuban spot easy, 7 points cheaper; 96 test centrifugal Cuban, 4.52. Approximate day's sales—14,000 tons.

Options—	Jan.	Mar.	May.	July.	Sept.
To-day	2.80	2.82	2.92	3.04	3.15
Prev. day	2.78	2.82	2.92	3.03	3.17

TALLOW steady, ⅛c. up. Extra loose, 10⅛.

COTTON SEED OIL easy. Prime summer yellow spot, 11.55. Options—January, 11.53; March, 11.77; May, 12.17; July, 12.37.

SHELLAC—T.N. spot, 64.

TURPENTINE—Spirits of turpentine, 84; Savannah spirits of turpentine, 77½.

RESIN—Grade F, 6.45; Grade K, 6.80; Grade WW, 8.65.

BURLAPS quiet. Hessian cloth, light-weight, 8.20; heavy-weight, 9.90.

METALS—Tin strong, 100 to 87½ points higher. Spot, 59.12½; future option, 59.12½. Tin Plates, 5.50. Lead steady, 9.92½. Zinc firm, 10 points up. East St. Louis spot, 7.80. Iron steady. No. 2 American Northern Foundry, 23.00 to 23.50. Electrolytic Copper steady. Spot, 15 asked; futures, 15 asked. Steel—Bessemer Rails, 43.

OUTSIDE U.S. MARKETS.

WHEAT barely steady, ⅛c. lower. No. 2 hard winter spot, 181.

ST. LOUIS.—Wheat firm, 1½c. up. No. 2 red winter spot, 193½.

MINNEAPOLIS.—Wheat easy, 1¼c. cheaper. No. 1 Northern spring spot, 173½.

DULUTH.—Flaxseed, May, 307.

TOLEDO.—Cloverseed, March, 20.60.

PHOSFERINE a Wonderful Nerve Tonic

Miss Olive Sloane, the beautiful and popular stage and film star, now appearing as Dick Whittington at The King's Theatre, Hammersmith, *writes:—*

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Exhaustion	Loss of Appetite	Anæmia	Sciatica

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WINNIPEG—Wheat opened firm, 1⅛c. to 1⅛c. higher, but closed easy, 1⅛c. to 1c. down. Opening options—May, 189⅛; July, 186⅛. Closing options—May, 186⅛; July, 183⅛. Oats easy, ⅛c. cheaper. Closing option—December, 66⅛. Flaxseed, May, 274⅛.

Wheat receipts (carlots)	To-day.	Prev. day.
No. 1 Northern	28	40
No. 2 Northern	35	58
No. 3 Northern	24	68
No. 4 Northern	19	60
Other grades... ...	36	104
Total ...	142	330

NEW YORK COTTON.

COTTON opened firm at 34 to 10 points rise, and further advances took place owing to the better textile trade conditions, improved public demand, private advices of greater activity among spinners, the higher spot position, a scare among shorts and buying by foreign interests. A reaction set in later, due to Southern selling, favourable weather reports and unloading by New Orleans houses, but the market rallied again owing to heavier exports. Subsequently October was depressed by reports of beneficial rains, but the market closed steady, 11 points up to 24 points down. Spot quiet at 10 points advance. New Orleans spot 20 points higher.

Spot, middling upland at New York, 24.90.
Spot, middling upland at New Orleans, 24.60.

Receipts—Atlantic ports, 31,000 bales; Gulf ports 31,000 bales; Pacific ports nil; interior towns, 34,000 bales. Exports—Great Britain, 28,000 bales, Continent, 17,000 bales; Japan, 4,000 bales.

New York futures in the last twenty seconds of trading:—December, unquoted; January, lowest 24.43, highest 24.43; February, 24.62, 24.62; March, 24.82, 24.84; April, 24.98, 24.98; May, 25.14, 25.15; June, 25.19, 25.19; July, 25.24, 25.24; August, 24.90, 24.90; September, 24.69, 24.69; October, 24.41, 24.44; November, 24.41, 24.41.

New Orleans futures in last minute of trading:—March, lowest 24.72, highest 24.75; May, 25.03, 25.04.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, December 29.

WHEAT opened steady, ⅛c. higher on bullish weekly statistics, unfavourable weather and commission house buying; then reacted owing to the weakness at Winnipeg, unloading by bulls, predicted larger Argentine shipments and selling by cash houses. The market partially rallied, however, on small country offerings, smaller interior receipts and decreased visible supply figures, but closed barely steady, 2⅛c. to 1c. down. Spot steady.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
No. 2 Hard Winter spot	—	Nom.
No. 3 Hard Winter spot	176	Nom.

Futures—Opening options—	Dec.	May.
To-day	178	181
Prev. day	—	176½

Futures—Closing options—	Dec.	May.	July.
To-day	175¼	178⅜	152⅛
Prev. day	177½	180½	153⅞

	To-day.	Same day last year.	This season.	Last season.
Receipts (W.)...	799	905	327,787	249,238

(In thousands of bushels.)

MAIZE opened steady, ⅛c. lower to unchanged. Values declined afterwards under commission house selling, larger interior receipts, disappointing outside demand, poor cash enquiry and increased visible supply figures. Partial recoveries were made later owing to smaller country offerings and covering of shorts, but the market closed barely steady at ⅛c. to 1⅛c. loss on the day.

	To-day.	Prev. day.	
Spot No. 2 mixed	128⅛	128⅛	
Futures—Opening options—	Dec.	May	
To-day	126¾	131¼	
Prev. day	127⅛	131⅛	
Futures—Closing options—	Dec.	May	July
To-day	126⅛	130⅜	130⅜
Prev. day	126⅛	131⅛	132

	To-day.	Same day last year.	This season.	Last season.
Receipts (W.)	751	1,360	121,963	131,878

(In thousands of bushels.)

OATS easier, 1c. to ⅛c. down.

Futures—Closing options—	Dec.	May	July
To-day	60½	64⅛	63¼
Prev. day	61½	65¾	64⅛

RYE—No. 2 spot, 149½.

Futures—Closing options—	Dec.	May
To-day	148	155¼
Prev. day	151	157¼

PROVISIONS opened firm, and advanced owing to the firmness of hogs and investment buying, but eased off in sympathy with the decline in grain and on selling by commission houses. Partial reactions took place, however, owing to traders replacing previous short sales and on good outside support, and the market closed steady, with lard unchanged to 7½ points up, but ribs are 2½ to 7½ points down.

Lard—Closing options	Jan.	Mar.	May.
To-day	16.95	17.27½	17.45
Prev. day	16.95	17.20	17.40
Ribs—Closing options	Jan.	Mar.	May.
To-day	16.37½	—	16.62½
Prev. day	16.40	—	16.70½

BACON firm at 37½ points rise.

Short ribbed sides (60lbs. average), 16.37½.

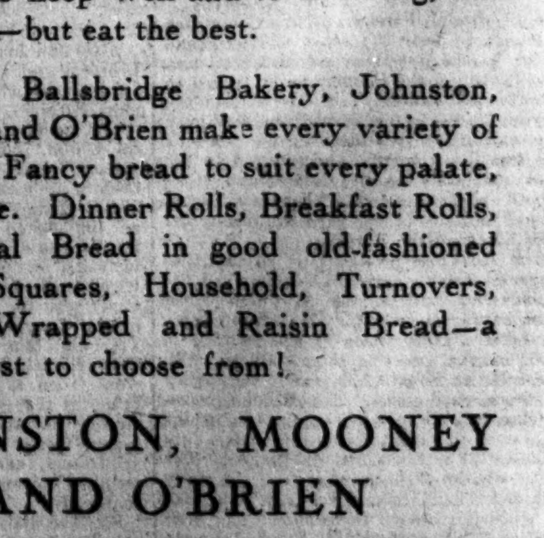
HOGS firm. Light are 25 to 15 and heavy descriptions 20 to 15 points higher. Light hogs, 9.25 to 10.50; heavy hogs, 10.70 to 10.95.

	To-day.	Same day last year
Receipts—Western Cities ...	173,000	172,000
Chicago ...	70,000	70,000

Receipts of hogs at fifteen principal Western centres, including Chicago, since November 1st, total 7,764,000, against 7,670,000 same season last year.

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE.

A gala dance will be held in La Scala Ballroom, Dublin, to-morrow (New Year's Eve), under the direction of Mr. Harry Mitchell. Among the special attractions will be a cabaret by the Dixie Minstrels, who are appearing this week at the Tivoli Theatre. This is claimed to be the first attempt at cabaret work in Dublin.



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IRISH S[TOCK] EXCHANG[E]

DUBLIN

BRITISH FUNDS BETT[ER] ... LOWER. RAILS HAR[DER] ... BUOYANT. RADIOS ...

There seemed no accumu[lation] ... hand, yesterday, when busi[ness] ... after the Christmas holid[ays] ... Exchange, nor is this surp[rising] ... is usually limited until a[fter the] holiday is passed, and of[ten] ... Stock Exchange settlement ... been got out of the way. ... outlook for business in t[he] ... again a strong incentive t[o] ... leading Textile shares, in w[hich] ... the dominant feature. B[anks] ... higher. Banks marked ti[me] ... Distilleries did not vary ... were sellers under last pri[ces] ... were idle in a harder ma[rket] ... mon moved strongly ahea[d] ... Rails were bid for and ... Southern Ord. tended to ... were bid for on receipt of ... dend over the Christmas h[olidays] ... very strong gains in Texti[les] ... Calicos, Cottons, Courta[ulds] ... prominent. Burke Debs. ... advance. *Irish Times* 1st ... British Controlled Oil ... strong.

Government Compensa[tion] ... repeated 90. The N... neglected.

British Funds advanced ... rose ½ to 101⅛, Conversion ... Irish Land 3 p.c. ⅛ to 6... Land 2¾ p.c. ½ to 56⅛, a... India 3½ p.c. fell ⅛ to 66.

In Banks, Bank Stock ... Munster and Leinsters ... Nationals rose ⅛ to 20½.

Among Breweries and ... fell ⅛ to 49⅞, and J. P... 3d. to 18s. 9d., but Disti[lleries] ... 9d., and Dublin Distille[rs] ... 9d.

Home Rails were ra... Northern Ord. rose ½ to ... Ord. ½ to 35½, but the ... 57, and the Debs. fell ⅛ ... South Eastern "B" Deb...

In Trams, Dublin Unit[ed] ... Parent Tyre Pref. we[re] ... 14s. 9d.-15s., and the the ... dividends, and the Defe[rred] ... to 36s. 6d. x.d. and bo[nus] ...

Radio Common rose ⅛ ... ⅛ to 10⅛-⅛. Marconi Or[d.] ... better at 31s.-32s. unoffic[ially].

The feature of the d[ay] ... Shares was the special ... Bleachers rose 2s. 9d. to ... 38s. 4½d., Cottons 2s. to ... 1s. 1½d. to 68s. 9d., 68s. ... ners 2s. 3d. to 60s. 6d. ... 63s. 4½d.-63s. 6d. Imperi[al] ... repeated 28s. x.d. Go... 68s., and Lever Brothers ... x.d.

In Drapery Shares, A... hands at 6⅛.

Among Trading, etc., ... ⅛ better at 8⅛ to 9 nomi[nal] ... Company Pref. fell 6d. ... Wallace Brothers Pref. ... nominally. Yam Seng ... 6d. *Irish Times* Pref. ...

British Controlled Oil ... 3d. to 18s. 3d., and Cou... 18s. 6d. Findlater Pre[f.] ... and the Debs. 50s. ... hands at 69s.

BUSINESS DONE A[T] ...
Transactions for ca[sh] ...
Compensation Stock (90) 90
5% War Ln. (101½) 101⅛
Conver. Loan 79⅛
Treas. Bonds '25-35 .99⅛
Guar. Land. (56⅛) *56⅛
3% Land Stk. (64⅛) 64⅛
India 3½% ......(66⅛) 66
Bank Ireland (275) *275
Mun. & Lein. (6⅛) *6⅛
National ......(20⅛) 20⅛
Distillers Co. (55/9) 56/9
Dublin Distillers Pref. (79/6) 79/9
Guinness ......(49⅛) 49⅛
Power Pref. ...(19/-) 18/9
D.S.E. B Deb. (67⅛) 67⅛
G.N. Ord. ......(56) 56⅛
G.S. Ord. ......(35) 35⅛
Do. Guar. ......(57) *57
Do. Deb. ......(69⅛) 68⅛
Dub. Tram Pref. (8⅛) 8⅛
Parent Def. ...(36/-) 36/6
Dunlops ....10/3 /4⅛
Arnott Deb. ......(6⅛) 6⅛
Bleachers (66/3 x.d.) 69/-
* Odd lot, b ...
(Last business done g...

IRISH BAN[K] ...
Discount ....
Deposit ....

STOCK EXCHANGE ...
Mining contango day ...
General contango day ...
Ticket day ....
Account day ....

BELF[AST] ...

Exchange resumed af[ter] ... moderate amount of b[usiness] ... dealt in at 101⅛ and 10... ing Co. "A" repeated ... steady at 2⅛. Great N... 57⅛, Fine Cotton Spin[ners] ... Ord. 36s. 6d., Robinso[n] ... 71, Lever 7 p.c. Pref. ... Def. 35s. 9d., Calico Pri[nters] ...

THE MONEY ...

YEAR-END S[TRINGENCY] ...

FALL IN GOLD ...

Business in Lombard ... mainly centred in prepa[ration] ... the year. A further ve... borrowed from the B[ank] ... seven and eight days, a[nd] ... there was a demand fo[r] ... up to 4½ p.c. Day-to-... was extremely plentiful ... ing at the Bank, and ac... night was offered at 2½ ... loans were continued at ... count market there was ... for bills, and rates were ... two and three months' ... 3⅛ p.c., and four m... 3⅛-3⅞ p.c. End of M... taken at 3⅛ p.c. Sa... Treasuries have been su... of the week.

Bank Rate (Discount chan...
60 days (fine) 3⅛
3 months .... 3⅛ 3...
4 months .... 3⅛ 3...
6 months 3⅛ 4
Loans to brokers day-to-day ...
„ for a week ...
Deposit allowance: Banks a...
„ Discount ...

Gold was quoted 8d. ... oz. owing to the rise i[n] ... change. For the same ... per oz. to 31⅛d. for spot ... delivery.

The feature in the fo[reign] ... yesterday was a furth[er] ... value of sterling to 4.... the highest touched si[nce] ... "unpegged" in March ... high record was 4.72⅛ ... The present rise mainl[y] ... York, where there has ... for sterling during the ... quently there was a sli... Continental currencies ... with the dollar, French ... 87.45-87.50, Belgian fra... German Reisch marks ... currency depreciated sh... and a further fall occu... 111⅛-111⅛.

—	December 29.	
Alexandria	97⅛	
Amsterdam	11.67	11.67¼
B. Ayres	45⅞	46
Barcelona	33.76	33.78
Berlin	19.80	19.90
Bombay	1/6⅛	1/6⅛
Brussels	94.80	94.90
Calcutta	1/6⅛	1/6⅛
Christiania	31.28	31.32
Copenhagen	26.69	26.72
Czecho-Slov	155¼	156
Finland	183	188½
Greece	260	263
Hong Kong	2/3⅞	2/4⅛
Hungary	342,000	348,000
Italy	111⅛	111⅛
Lisbon	2⅛	2⅛
Madrid	33.74	33.77
Montevideo	24⅛	25⅛
Montreal	4.74⅛	4.74⅛
New York	50⅛	50⅛
Paris	4.72⅛	4.78⅛
Poland	87.40	87.65
Rio de Janeiro	24.50	24.70
Roumania	5⅛	5⅛
Shanghai	9.10	9.20
Singapore	3/2⅛	3/2⅛
Stockholm	2/4⅛	
Switzerland	17.53	17.56
Valparaiso	24.31	24.33
Vienna	40.20	
Yokohama	330,000	337,000
	1/7⅛	1/7⅛

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FINANCIAL NEWS AND NOTES.

IRISH STOCK EXCHANGES.

DUBLIN.

BRITISH FUNDS BETTER. GUINNESS LOWER. RAILS HARDER. TEXTILES BUOYANT. RADIOS PROMINENT.

There seemed no accumulation of orders in hand yesterday, when business was resumed after the Christmas holidays on the Stock Exchange, nor is this surprising, as business is usually limited until after the new year holiday is passed, and often until the first Stock Exchange settlement of the year has been got out of the way. The more hopeful outlook for business in the new year was again a strong incentive to the absorption of leading Textile shares, in which buoyancy was the dominant feature. British Funds were higher. Banks marked time. Breweries and Distilleries did not vary much. Guinness were sellers under last price. Marconi shares were idle in a harder market. Radio Common moved strongly ahead. Great Northern Rails were bid for and higher, and Great Southern Ord. tended to rally. Parent Tyres were bid for on receipt of the arrears of dividend over the Christmas holidays. There were very strong gains in Textiles, with Bleachers, Calicos, Cottons, Courtaulds and Spinners prominent. Burke Debs. were held for an advance. *Irish Times* 1st Pref. closed firm. British Controlled Oil Preferred were very strong.

Government Compensation 5 p.c. Stock repeated 90. The National Loan was neglected.

British Funds advanced. War Loan 5 p.c. rose ⅛ to 101⅜, Conversion 3½ p.c. 1/16 to 79 5/16, Irish Land 3 p.c. 1/16 to 64¼, and Guaranteed Land 2¾ p.c. ½ to 56¾, after opening at 56½. India 3½ p.c. fell ¼ to 66.

In Banks, Bank Stock repeated 275 and Munster and Leinsters 6 11/16 for odd lot. Nationals rose ¼ to 20½.

Among Breweries and Distilleries, Guinness fell 1/16 to 49 5/16, and J. Power and Son Pref. 3d. to 18s. 9d., but Distillers rose 1s. to 56s. 9d., and Dublin Distillers Pref. 3d. to 79s. 9d.

Home Rails were rather harder. Great Northern Ord. rose ½ to 56½, Great Northern Ord. ¼ to 35½, but the Guaranteed repeated 57, and the Debs. fell ⅜ to 68⅝. Dublin and South Eastern "B" Debs. fell ¼ to 67½.

In Trams, Dublin United Pref. repeated 8⅞.

Parent Tyre Pref. were called unofficially 14s. 9d.-15s., and the the Ord. 19s. 6d.-20s. ex dividends, and the Deferred rose 6d. further to 36s. 6d. x.d. and bonus of 9s. a share.

Radio Common rose ⅜ to 10⅜, and the Pref. 1/16 to 10 1/16-⅛. Marconi Ord. were about 1s. 6d. better at 31s.-32s. unofficially.

The feature of the day in Manufacturing Shares was the special buoyancy of Textiles. Bleachers rose 2s. 9d. to 69s., Calicos 7½d. to 38s. 4½d., Cottons 2s. to 62s. 9d., Courtaulds 1s. 1½d. to 68s. 9d., 68s. 10½d., 69s., and Spinners 2s. 3d. to 60s. 6d. Coats were quiet at 63s. 4½d.-63s. 6d. Imperial Tobacco of Canada repeated 28s. x.d. Goulding Pref. realised 68s., and Lever Brothers 8 p.c. Pref. 21s. 6d. x.d.

In Drapery Shares, Arnott Debs. changed hands at 6⅞.

Among Trading, etc., Burke Debs. closed 1/16 better at 8⅞ to 9 nominally. A. Millar and Company Pref. fell 6d. to 12s. 6d., and Wallace Brothers Pref. 2s. to 55s.-57s. 6d. nominally. Yam Seng Rubber rose 7½d. to 2s. 6d. *Irish Times* Pref. remain at 67s. 6d.

British Controlled Oilfields Prefd. rose 2s. 3d. to 18s. 3d., and Courtaulds Pref. repeated 18s. 6d. Findlater Pref. realised 11s. 1½d., and the Debs. 50s. Heiton Pref. changed hands at 69s.

BUSINESS DONE AT ALL SESSIONS.

Transactions for cash marked "c."

Compensation Stock (90) 90		Calicos ....(37/9) 38/4½	
5% War Ln.(101½) 101⅜		Coats....(63/6) 63/4½ */6	
Conver. Loan 79 5/16		Cottons ....(60/9) 62/9	
Treas. Bonds '25-35..99⅞		Courtaulds..68/9 /10½ 9/-	
Guar. Land.(56¼) *56½ ⅝		Do. Pref. 18/6	
3% Land Stk..(64⅛) 64¼		Spinners	
India 3½% ....(66¼) 66		(67/11 x.d.) *68/-	
Bank Ireland.(275) *275		Imp. Tob. Canada	
Mun. & Lein...(6⅝) *6 11/16		28/- x.d.	
National ....(20¼) 20½		Lever 8% ....21/6 x.d.	
Distillers Co..(55/9) 56/9		Burke Deb..(8¾) 8⅞ 9a	
Dublin Distillers Pref.		Findlater Pref.	
(79/6) 79/9		(11/1½) 11/1½	
Guinness ....(49⅜) 49 5/16		Do. Deb.........(50/-) 50/-	
Power Pref...(19/-) 18/9		Heiton Pref.....(69/-) 69/-	
D.S.E. B Deb.(67¾) 67½		Millar (A.) Pref.	
G.N. Ord.........(56) 56½		(13/-) 12/6	
G.S. Ord.......(35) 35⅛ *½		Wallace Pref.	
Do. Guar.......(57) *57		(56/3) 55/-b 57/6a	
Do. Deb..........(69¼) 68⅝		Yam Seng...(1/10½) 2/6	
Dub. Tram Pref..(8⅞) 8⅞		*Irish Times* 5¼⅞	
Parent Def...(36/-) 36/6		(67/6) 67/6	
Dunlops ....10/3 /4½		Radio Common............10⅜	
Arnott Deb........(6⅛) 6⅞		Do. Pref. ....10⅛ *¼	
Bleachers		Brit. Controlled Pf...15/3	
(66/3 x.d.) 69/-			

* Odd lot, b bid, a asked.
(Last business done given in parentheses.)

IRISH BANKS' RATE.

Discount .... 5 p.c. 5th July, 1923.
Deposit .... 2 p.c. 5th July, 1923.

STOCK EXCHANGE SETTLEMENTS.

Mining contango day.........	Jan. 5	Jan. 19
General contango day........	Jan. 6	Jan. 20
Ticket day	Jan. 7	Jan. 21
Account day	Jan. 8	Jan. 22

BELFAST.

Exchange resumed after the holidays with moderate amount of business. War Loan dealt in at 101 5/16 and 101 7/16. Northern Banking Co. "A" repeated 5¼; the "B" Shares steady at 2 11/16. Great Northern Pref. marked 57 7/16, Fine Cotton Spinners 60s. 6d., Hughes Ord. 36s. 6d., Robinson and Cleaver Debs. 71, Lever 7 p.c. Pref. 21s. 3d., Parent Tyre Def. 35s. 9d., Calico Printers 38s. 9d.

THE MONEY MARKET.

YEAR-END STRINGENCY.

FALL IN GOLD AND SILVER.

Business in Lombard street yesterday was mainly centred in preparations for the end of the year. A further very large amount was borrowed from the Bank of England for seven and eight days, and in the open market there was a demand for weekly loans at 3½ up to 4¼ p.c. Day-to-day money, however, was extremely plentiful owing to the borrowing at the Bank, and accommodation over the night was offered at 2½ down to 1 p.c. Old loans were continued at 2¾ p.c. In the discount market there was a little more inquiry for bills, and rates were rather easier. Fine two and three months' paper was quoted at 3 11/16 p.c., and four months' maturities at 3 11/16-3⅞ p.c. End of March Treasuries were taken at 3 11/16 p.c. Sales of supplementary Treasuries have been suspended for the rest of the week.

Bank Rate (Discount changed July 5, 1923), 4%

60 days (fine)		3 11/16			
3 months	3 11/16	3⅞%	Trade 4		4½%
4 months	3¾	3 15/16%	.. .. 4¼		4¾%
6 months	3¾	4 %	.. .. 4½		5 %
Loans to brokers day-to-day				3	5 %
.. .. for a week				3½	3¾%
Deposit allowance: Banks at call				2	%
.. Discount houses, at call				2	%
.. at notice				2¼	%

Gold was quoted 8d. lower at 88s. 1d. per oz. owing to the rise in the New York exchange. For the same reason silver fell 1/16d. per oz. to 31½d. for spot and 31⅛d. for forward delivery.

The feature in the foreign exchange market yesterday was a further sharp rise in the value of sterling to 4.73⅞ dollars, which is the highest touched since the exchange was "unpegged" in March, 1919. The previous high record was 4.72¼ in February, 1923. The present rise mainly emanates from New York, where there has been a good demand for sterling during the past week. Subsequently there was a slight reaction to 4.73⅛. Continental currencies have moved downward with the dollar, French francs cheapening to 87.45-87.50, Belgian francs to 94.80-94.85, and German Reisch marks to 19.80-19.90. Dutch currency depreciated sharply to 11.67-11.67¼, and a further fall occurred in Italian lire to 111¼-111½.

—	December 29.		December 27.		Normal Rate
Alexandria	97⅛		97⅛		97½
Amsterdam	11.67	11.67¾	11.64½	11.64¾	12.10
B. Ayres	45⅞	46	45⅞	45⅞	47.58
Barcelona	33.76	33.78	33.68	33.69	25.22
Berlin	19.80	19.90	19.77	19.80	20.40
Bombay	1/6⅛	1/6 3/16	1/6⅛	1/6 3/16	2/0
Brussels	94.80	94.90	94.70	94.80	25.22½
Calcutta	1/6⅛	1/6 3/16	1/6⅛	1/6 3/16	2/0
Christiania	31.28	31.32	31.20	31.25	18.16
Copenhagen	26.69	26.72	26.63	26.66	18.16
Czecho-Slov	155¼	156	155½	155½	—
Finland	186	186½	186½	187½	25.22½
Greece	260	263	260	262	25.22½
Hong Kong	2/3½	2/4⅛	2/4	2/4⅛	—
Hungary	342,000	348,000	342,000	348,000	—
Italy	111¼	111½	109.85	109.90	25.22½
Lisbon	2⅞	2⅛	2⅛	2⅛	53¼d.
Madrid	33.74	33.77	33.67	33.69	25.22½
Mexico	24⅝	25⅛	24⅞	25⅛	24¼d.
Montreal	4.74⅜	4.74⅞	4.72⅜	4.73	4.86
Montevideo	50⅛	50⅝	50⅛	50⅝	51d.
New York	4.72½	4.73⅞	4.71	4.71⅛	4.86
Paris	87.40	87.65	87.22	87.30	25.22
Poland	24.50	24.70	24.40	24.60	25.22½
Rio de Jan.	5⅞	5⅞	5⅞	5⅞	16d.
Roumania	9.10	9.30	9.15	9.25	—
Shanghai	3/2⅝	3/2⅞	3/2⅞	3/2⅞	—
Singapore	2/4⅝		2/4⅝		2/4⅝
Stockholm	17.53	17.56	17.47	17.49	18.16
Switzerland	24.31	24.36	24.24	24.26	25.22
Valparaiso	40.20		40.20		18.89
Vienna	330,000	337,000	332,000	338,000	—
Yokohama	1/7⅝	1/7⅞	1/7⅝	1/7⅞	4.8

LONDON STOCKS BRIGHT.

VERY FIRM TENDENCY.

The London Stock Markets resumed after the holidays with a brighter tone, there being a big turnover in speculative descriptions, more particularly oils, rubbers, and base metal issues. The general tendency was very firm, apart from a few specialities, including Turkish Unified. Oils came into prominence again at the close. A firm tone was maintained in British Funds, but, despite the fact that a fair business was put through, prices remained unaltered at the finish. Among Colonial Government Stocks, South Africa 4 p.c. Cons., at 90, were a point lower. The new Victorian Scrip opened at ⅞ discount, the underwriters having to take 91 per cent. of the commitments. South Africa 5 per cent. remained unchanged at 71 11/16. Australia 4½ per cent. were only 32, or ½ discount. 2½ per cent. Irish Guaranteed Land Stock (red. 1921) was quoted at 57. Telegraphs were very steady. Marconis were all repeated, while Radio Corp. Pref. also showed no change. The Common, however, were a bright spot, the final quotation showing an increase of 1 3/16 to 10 9/16. With the exception of Distillers, which were again in demand, Breweries were rather quiet. Guinness Ord. and Pref. were both unchanged. Watney Combe Def., at 215½, were also unaltered. Distillers moved up, the final quotation being 2 13/16. Iron, Coal and Steels were steady, and prices, without exception, were unchanged. Among Land Shares, Hudsons and Sudan Plantations were good. The former put on 1/16 to 5¾ x.d.; while the latter closed at 7⅞. Newspapers were better. "Mail" Debs. put on ½ to 108½ while "Mirror" Ord. at 6 11/16 showed an improvement of ⅛. "Sunday Pictorial" Ord. were also a firmer spot, the final price being 1s. 7½d. better than the previous quotation at 88s. 1½d. Among Textiles, Courtaulds were again in request. Sewing Cottons and Fine Spinners were also the turn higher. Dunlops dropped back, the Ord. showing a decrease of 3d. at the finish to 10s. 3d. Tobaccos were firm. B.A.T. finished 6d. better, while Imperials held their gain of last week.

FOREIGN BONDS FIRM.

A generally firm tone was manifest in Foreign Government Stocks, and where prices were altered higher levels were marked. French Loans were firm, despite a further drop in the franc. Peruvians were a firm market, and, after a good business, the Pref. left off ½ higher at 41 x.d.; while the Debs showed a gain of a point to 102. Egyptian Unified put on ¼ to 76⅞; while Uruguay 3½ per cent., at 61¼, were ½ to the good. Among Japanese the 4 per cent. 1905, at 89¼, were 1½ points lower. Mexicans were steady while San Paulo were also without change.

BRITISH RAILS BETTER.

A much firmer tendency was noticeable in Home Rails, and a fair business was transacted. Great Western finished ½ better at 109; while Midlands, at 102, were a point better than the previous quotation. North-Eastern 5 p.c. Pref.-Ord. were without alteration, but the Def.-Ord. left off ¼ to the good at 31. Metropolitan were maintained at 83, while Districts, at 56, were also unaltered. Southerns were all without change on the day. Underground Ord. put on ⅛ to 3¼. The Income Debs. at 100, and the 6 per cent. Debs. at 105, were unchanged.

FOREIGN RAILS SUPPORTED.

Colonial and Foreign Rails came in for fresh support, and prices were generally better at the close. Among Buenos Ayres issues, the Pacific at 80 and the Western at 76 were both ½ up, while Central Argentine put on a point to 74. Entre Rios continued to improve, the Ord at 32, and the 6 per cent. Cum. Pref. at 86, both putting on a further point. Central Uruguay gained ½ to 70. Cordoba were again a centre of interest. The Ord. remained at 16½, but the 1st Pref. at 59½, and the 2nd Pref. at 32¼, were both 1½ points better. Canadian Pacifics dropped back, the final price being a point lower at 160. Grand Trunks and Mexicans were all maintained.

OIL SHARES STRONG.

Strength characterised the Oil Share market yesterday, and while dealings were largely professional, there was certainly more public interest than for some time past. Final prices were not in all cases the best of the day, but some substantial advances were recorded. The firmness was assisted by the announcement of an advance of 25 cents in Pennsylvania crude to $3.00 to $3.10 per barrel, this being the first upward turn since January 30 last, following which there have been five subsequent decreases. Royal Dutch met with a keen demand. Shells also displayed strength, the price advancing smartly. Anglo-Persians and Burmahs both moved up, while Anglo-Americans were a good market. Eagles came into request, the market in these shares being assisted by the report from Mexico City to the effect that the Senate has approved the Petroleum Bill regulating Article 27 of the Mexican Constitution. This bill clarifies the *status* of foreigners engaged in the petroleum industry, and is regarded as part of a programme to imbue American and British capitalists with confidence in Mexico. Venezuelan issues continued to provide the market with strong and active features. British Controlled again received active attention. In other directions Lobitos failed to hold an initial gain, but a few of the more speculative favourites hardened.

RUBBER SHARES STRONG.

The Rubber share market commenced the week in a very strong fashion. Business was on a large scale, and prices were on the up grade at the finish; some substantial improvements were registered. In only a few instances were final quotations lower. United Sua Betong were an exceptionally hard market and at the close they showed a gain of 4s., the final figure being 78s. 9d. Sumatra Consols at 26s. 3d. and Kapa Para at 45s. were both 2s. 6d. to the good, while Anglo-Dutch put on 1s. 10½d. to 49s. 9d. Bah Lias and Bukit Rajah both gained 1s. 3d. to 37s. 6d. and 24s. 6d. respectively, while Batu Tiga finished 1s. 1½d. to the good at 39s. 3d. Java Amal. put on 1s. 2½d. to 30s. 2½d., while Kuala Lumpur at 40s. were 1s. 6d. better. Malayalam put on 1s. 7½d. to 42s. 6d., while Malacca at 40s. were 1s. 3d. up. Sapumalkande put on 1s. 9d. to 23s. 9d., while Sendayan at 33s. 9d. were 1s. 10½d. better. Tebrau at 42s. 3d. and Sungei Buaya at 35s. 6d. were 1s. 6d. and 1s. higher respectively, while Telogoredjo put on 1s. 1½d. to 50s. 6d. Vallambrosa gained 10½d. to 15s. 4½d., while United Temiang put on 3d. to 3s. 4½d. Improvements of 9d. were registered in Anglo-Malay to 28s. 3d., Glenbervie to 27s. 9d., Glenshiel to 15s. 6d., and in Ledbury and Linggi to 33s. and 41s. 6d. respectively. Sialang put on 9¾d. to 37s. 6d., while Straits Rubber at 21s. 10½d. were 7½d. better. B.N.B.R. Trust finished the day 6d. better, while Rubber Trust gained 1s. 10½d. to 35s. 3d. Serdang Central closed 6½d. to the good at 30s. 7½d. Castlefield at 5s. 4½d., Eastern Trust at 17s. 3d., General Ceylon at 45s. 7½d., and Lanadron at 23s. 9d. were all 7½d. up, while Manchester North Borneo at 25s. 6d. and Tali Ayer at 23s. 9d. were both 6d. better. Pataling put on 9d., while Pegoh finished the day 7½d. up. Bertam Consols and Anglo-Java were 4½d. and 2¼d. better, while Brieh gained 3d. to 2s. 3d. Highlands improved to 41s. 6d., while Damansara at 17s. 3d. were 9d. better. Tamiang put on 1s. to 32s. 3d. The only decreases of note were those of 9d. in Tandjong and of 10½d. in Rubber Estates of Johore. The price of rubber rose to 19⅝d. per lb.

TEA SHARES BETTER.

A slightly better tendency was manifest in the Tea Share market. Business was again on a smaller scale than has been the case recently, but after a weak opening a few shares showed a harder tendency, and at the close a few good increases were recorded. Cons. Tea and Lands were a bright spot. Business commenced at a better figure, and during the day they hardened further, the closing price showing an improvement of 1½ to 82 x.d. Assam Frontier were also the turn higher, being 1/16 to the good at 8⅝. Borelli gained ⅛ to 5 11/16, while Associated Estates of Ceylon at 44s. 3d. were 1s. 1½d. up. Brahmapootra at 35⅝ showed an increase of ⅛, while Bargang at 71s. 1½d. were 1s. 3d. to the good. Assam Cons. finished fractionally higher. Chubwa were a firm spot, and at the close registered an improvement of 1/16 to 5 9/16. Darjeeling Cons. finished slightly better at 77s. 6d. Doocars at 93s. and Doom Dooma at 6d. x.d. both showed small gains, while Eastern Produce and Empire were 10½d. and 1s. higher, respectively. Travancore put on 1s. 3d. to 5 11/16, while United Planters and Upper Assam were both 1s. to the good. Amalgamated Estates and Assam Docars, on the other hand, were both lower, the final quotations being 48¼ and 59, respectively. Anglo-Ceylon also dropped slightly. East India and Eastern Assam were both lower, while Longai Valley at 51s. 4½d. were 7½d. lower. Jorehaut gave way rather heavily, the closing price being 1s. 9d. below the previous figure at 101s. 3d. Jokai Jhanzie and Nedeem were all the turn lower. Singlo also showed a small decrease on the day's business.

INDUSTRIALS QUIET.

Speaking generally, there was not a great deal of business passing in the Miscellaneous and Industrial markets yesterday, though Textiles commanded considerable support on the improved outlook for the cotton trade, and certain specialities enjoyed a good turn over, while the tone all round was firm. The outstanding feature of the Textile section was English Sewing Cottons, which received strong support and closed 3s. higher at 64s. 6d. Elsewhere in Textiles, Grouts developed fresh strength, finishing with a gain of 2s. at 50s. 6d. Courtaulds received support, which took them to 69s. 3d., or 1s. better on balance, business having taken place at up to 69s. 6d. Calico Printers rose that much to 39s. 6d., and rises of 9d. occurred in Bleachers to 68s. 3d. ex div., and in Fine Spinners to 60s. 3d. Bradford Dyers stiffened to 84s. 9d., Dyestuffs to 6s. 9d., and the Prefs. to 13s. On the other hand, Slubbers eased to 8s. 9d., and Celanese Prefs. to 11s. 9d., Hinde and Hardys receded to 34s. 9d. Renewed strength was displayed by Whiskey shares, among which Distillers figured prominently with a gain of 2s. 6d. at 57s. 6d.; J. Walkers moved up to 69s. 6d., or 6d. better, and Buchanan to 71s. Except Watney Deferred, which lost 1 at 214½, Breweries showed firmness. Courage further improved to 43s. 6d., or 6d. higher; St. Louis Prefs. put on ¼ to 6¾, and Threlfalls Prefs. 1/16 to 1 1/16. Hotels remained quietly firm. Among Caterers, Liptons lost 6d. at 23s. 6d., Schweppes Deferred closed 1s. 6d. lower at 30s. 9d. In the Wireless group Marconi Prefs. rose 1/16 to 1 5/16, but Canadas eased to 5s. 3d. In Tobaccos both B.A.T.'s and Imperials suffered from realisations, otherwise prices held their ground, one or two improvements being seen. Leading Newspaper descriptions exhibited firmness on bonus talk, especially "Daily Mirrors." Motors came into request and appreciated in several cases, Humbers and Dennis Bros. being noticeably good. Iron, Coal and Steels were inclined to higher levels where changed. Firmness characterised Insurances, and Banks generally kept up. Among Land shares, Bays were wanted on the settlement of the dispute between the company and the Canadian Government. The outstanding feature of the Miscellaneous trading section was the strength of Swedish Match "B" Shares, which, in response to a good demand, finished ⅜ higher on balance at 10⅛. The "A" Shares rose 1/16 to 10⅛. African and Easterns hardened to 35s., and Oil Cakes put on 6d. to 24s. 6d. Both the Lever Prefs., however, shed 3d., the 7 per cent. to 21s. 4½d. (x.d.) and the 8 per cent. to 21s. 3d. (x.d.). James Finlays recovered to 79s. 6d. Cements eased to 16s. 9d. and Brunner Monds to 38s. 9d. Dunlops, after being dull at one time, closed unchanged at 10s. 4½d.

LATEST CLOSING AND STREET PRICES.

CONSOLS, ETC.

Consols 57-58*		4½% Conv. Ln. 96½-97½	
War Ln. 5%...... 101-101½		3½ Treas. Bds. 103½-103¾	
do. 4½%......... 97-97½		Irish Land 2¾% 58-60*	
do. 5% 101½-101¾		India 3% 56½-57½*	
do. 4% (Tax Free) 101-101½		do. 3½% 66-67	
Fund'g L'n ... 88-88½		do. 4½% 100½-101½	
Victory Bds ... 92-93½		do. 5½% 106-107	
3½% Conv. Ln. 78½-79½		Local Loa. 66-68½*	
		Sudan 5½% 105-106	

BANKS.

Anglo S. Amer 7¾-8		Hong Kong... 139-141	
Australasia 13½-14½		Lloyds......... 61/6-62/6+0/6	
Bank N.S.W. 40-41		Midland 8¾-9	
Do. N. Z. ... 3-3⅛*		Nat. Dis. B 9⅛-9⅜	
Barclays A ... 8¾-8⅞		Nat Prov(£4) 11½-11¾	
Brit. F. Trade 1-1⅛		Royal of Can 48-51	
Do. Overseas 5-5⅛*		Stand. S. A...11⅞-12	
Can. of Com. 41½-42½		Un. Australia 14¼-14¾	
Char. of India 20½-21		Westminster 17½-18⅛	

COLONIAL GOVERNMENT STOCKS.

Alberta 4½ 1943.. 93-95		Q'sland 4 1940-50 86-88	
Aust. Com. 5½% 100-102		do. 4½ 1920-5 100-101	
do. 6% 106-107		do. 6% 1930-40 106-107	
Brit. Col. 4½ 1941. 93-95		S. Africa 4% Cns 89-91	−1
Canada 4% 91-93		do. 6% 104-106	
do. 4½ 1920-5 ... 99½-100½		S.A'stral'n4,'40-60 85-87	
Cape 3½ Cons..... 80-82*		do. 5½% 100-102	
Ceylon 6% 107-109*		do. 6½% 107-109	
Natal 3½ '34 82-84		do. 5% 1932-42. 100-102	
N.S.W. 4½ '22-7 97-99*		Victoria 4,'40-60 88-90	
do. 5½ 1922-7 ... 99-101		do. 4½% 1923-5 ... 100-2	
do. 5½% 1922-32 100-102		W.Aus. 4% '42-62 83-87*	
do. 6½% 1930-40 107-109		do. 5½% 1930-40 101-103	
N. Zeal'd 4, '29. 95-97		do. 5% 1935-45 100-102	
Nigeria 6% 113-115*		do. 6% 1930-40 ... 102-4*	

FOREIGN BONDS.

M.U. Dec. 16.				
101¼	Argentine, 1886	101	103	
77½	Do. 4 p.c. Rescession	78	80	
92	Do. 5 p.c., 1909	91	93	
42½	Brazil 4 p.c., 1889........	43	45	
84½	Do. Funding, 1908	83	85	
72½	Do. 5 p.c., 1914	72	74	
93½	Chinese 5 p.c., 1896 ...	92	94	
80½	Do. 4½ p.c., 1898	79	81	
88	Do. 5 p.c., 1912	86	88	
99½	Czecho-Slovakia Bonds...	98	100	
76½	Egyptian Unified	76⅝	77⅛	+ ⅛
20½	French Loan	20	21	
16	Do. 4 p.c.	15½	16½*	
2/0	German 3 p.c.	1½	1½	
19½	Italian Rentes	18½	20½	
89¼	Japan 4 p.c., 1905	88	91	−1½
79½	Do. New 5 p.c., 1907.	78	80	
92	Do. 6 p.c., 1924	91½	92½	
44	Mexican 5 p.c., '99	35	45	
54	Do. 6 p.c. 10-Y. Treas.	40	50	
4½	Peruvian Corporation	5½	6½	
39½	Do. Pref.	40½	41½*	+ ½
99½	Do. Deb.	101	103	+1
29½	Portuguese 3 p.c.	28½	30½	
107½	San Paulo 8 p.c.	106	108	
—	Spanish 4 p.c.	63	67	
61	Uruguay 3½ p.c.	61	62	+ ½

BRITISH RAILS.

108	Great Western	108½	109½	+ ½
100	Ldn., Mid. & Scot. Ord...	101½	102½	+1
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref............	81	83	
—	Do. 4½ p.c. Red. Pref.	96	98*	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pref....	97	100	
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref., 1923.	80	82	
83	Ldn. North-East. 5 p.c. Pref. Ord.	82½	83½	
30½	Do. Def. Ord.	30½	31½	+ ½
—	Do. 4 p.c. 1st Pref. ..	81	83	
—	Do. 4 p.c. 2nd Pref....	80	82	
80½	Metropolitan	82½	83½	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	99	102	
54½	Do. District	55½	56½	
84½	Southern Pref. Ord.	84	85	
43½	Do. Def. Ord.	44	45	
41	Do. "A"	41½	42½	
10	Do. "B"	9½	10½	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	101	103	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pf. '24	98	101	
2⅞	Underground Electric	3	3½	+ ⅛
99½	Do. Income Bonds	99	101	
105	Do. 6 p.c. Debs.	104	106	

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS.

87½	Antofagasta	88	90	
—	Argentine G.W. Ord.	78	80	
—	Bahia Blanca	82	84	
—	Brazil Railway Common.	⅛	¼	
86½	Buenos Ayres Gt. S.......	86	88	
79½	Buenos Ayres and Pacific	79	81	+ ½
70½	Buenos Ayres and W.....	75	77	+ ½
161½	Canadian Pacific	159	161	−1
72½	Central Argentine	73	75	+1
69½	Central Uruguay	69	71	+ ½
13½	Cordoba Central	16	17	
47	Do. 1st Pref.	58½	60½	+1½
24½	Do. 2nd Pref.	31½	33½	+1½
—	Entre Rios	31	33	+1
—	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	85	87	+1
—	Grand Trunk 4 p.c. Guar.	81	83*	
—	Do. 4 p.c. Perp. Deb..	81	83*	
—	Grand Trunk Pac. Deb...	88	90	
28½	Leopoldina	28	30	
8½	Mexican Rails	6½	7½	
29	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	25	27	
15	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	13	15	
—	Mexican Nat. 1st Pref...	4½	5½	
2½	Mexican Nat. 2nd Pref...	1½	2½	
159	San Paulo Ord.	157	161	
84½	United Havana	85	87	

AMERICAN RAILS.

—	Atchison	124	126	
—	Baltimore	84	86	+1
—	Chesapeake	99	101*	+1
—	Chicago, Milwaukee	16½	17½	− ½
34	Erie	32	33	− ½
—	Do. 1st Pref.	47	49	
—	New York, Ontario	27	29	
82½	Southern Common	82	83	
—	Do. Pref.	89	91	+2
—	Southern Pacific	108	110	
157½	Union Pacific	157	160	−1

TELEGRAPHS.

24½	Anglo-American Def.	24½	24½	
1⅛	Marconi Wireless Ord......	1¼	1⅝	
1⅝	Do. Pref.	1⅛	1⅝	
—	Do. Debs.	101½	103½	
1⅛	Do. Marine	1	1⅛	
5 9	Do. Canada	5/3¾	5/6¾	
—	Oriental Telephone	1¾	2*	
9⅜	Radio Corporation	10⅜	10¾	+1 3/16
10½	Do. Pref. ($50)	10	10½	

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES.

13/6	Allsopp £1 Shares.........	¾	⅞	
88½	Do. 5 p.c. Pref...........	87	90	
—	Bass, Ratcliff 5 p.c. Pref.	89	92*	
46/6	Do. Ord.	2½	2⅞	
495	Guinness	490	500	
—	Do. Pref.	115	120*	
20/3	Peter Walker Ord.	20/0	21/0	
38 6	South African Breweries.	1⅞	2 1/16*	
21/0	Walker (John) Pref.......	21/6	22/6	
211	Watney Combe Def.......	213	218	

FOODSTUFFS AND STORES.

26/9	Aerated Bread	1⅝	1 7/16*	
48/9	Bovril Def.	2⅜	2 7/16	
29/6	Lipton	1⅛	1¼	
4½	Lyons (J.)	4⅝	4¾	+ 1/16
—	Mackintosh (J.) Pref....	26/9	27/0	
5/3	Maypole Def.	5 9	6/3	
—	Smithfield Arg. Meat	¾	1⅛	
1⅜	Spratt's Patent	1⅞	2*	
—	Union Cold Storage Pref.	1	1 1/32*	
24/4½	Van Den Berghs	1 1/16	1 3/16	
—	Do. Pref.	4⅞	5¼*	

IRON AND STEEL.

14/6	Armstrong (W. G.)	14 9	15/9
11/9	Cammell Laird	11 6	12/6
12 6	Dorman Long	13 0	14/0
—	Furness Withy	33 9	36/3
16/0	John Brown	15 6	16/6
11/0	Do. (15/- paid)	10/6	11/6
20/6	Pease and Partners......	20/0	21/3
51/3	South Durham Steel	2½	2⅝*
23/3	Siemens	1 3/32	1⅛
7 9	United Steel	8 0	9 0
11 6	Vickers Ord.	11/3	12/3
—	Weardale Iron C.P.O....	1 3/32	1 7/32*

LAND.

—	Aboukir Land	18/0	19/0	
10/0	Argentine Northern Land	7/16	9/16	
26/0	Do. Southern Land ...	1¼	1½*	
11/0	B.N.B. Land	17/32	19/32	
22/6	Forestal Land	1 1/16	1 3/16*	
5 1/16	Hudson's Bay Ord.	5⅝	5⅞*	+ 1/16
15/6	Niger Pref.	¾	1⅛	
11/9	Pekin Syndicate	½	⅝	− 1/16
27/6	Rio Negro Lands	1 5/16	1½	
7⅛	Sudan Plantations	7⅝	7½	+ ⅛

NEWSPAPERS.

6⅞	Amal. Newspapers Def...	6⅝	6⅞	
—	Daily Mail Deb.	108½	108¾	+ ½
6½	Daily Mirror Ord.	6⅝	7	+ ⅛
4⅞	Sunday Pictorial Ord....	87/7½	88/7½	+1/7½

NITRATES.

23½	Alianza	23	24
78/0	Anglo-Chilian Nitrate ...	3⅛	3⅛
8⅞	Lautaro Nitrate	8¼	9
1⅝	Lagunas Nitrate	1½	1⅝
76/0	Liverpool Nitrate	74/0	76/0*
73/6	London Nitrate	73/0	75/0
36/6	Rosario Nitrate	36/0	36/0
39/0	Santa Rita Nitrate	38 0	40 0
3⅛	Santiago Nitrate	3	3¼
16/6	Tarapaca Nitrate	16/0	17/0

SHIPPING.

14/0	Cargo Fleet	13/9	15 0
—	Court Line	33/0	33 6
—	Cunard Ord.	19/0	20/0
—	Elder Dempster 6 p.c. Pf.	19 0	20/0*
—	P. and O. Def.	298	306*
—	Royal Mail Ord.	95	100

TEXTILES AND STORES.

14/1½	Amalgamated Cotton....	11/3	12/3	
64/0	Bleachers	3⅜	3½*	+ 1/16
83/0	Bradford Dyers	4⅛	4⅜	
8 0	British Celanese Ord......	7/10½	8/1½	−0/1½
36/6	Calico Printers	1 15/16	2	+ 1/16
62/6	Coats	3⅛	3⅛	
68/0	Courtaulds	3⅜	3½	+ 1/16
60/6	English Sewing Cotton..	3⅛	3¼	+ ⅛
55/9	Fine Spinners	2⅞	3 1/16	+ 1/16
43/6	Harrods	2⅛	2⅜	
—	Linen Thread Ord.	2⅞	3⅛	
31/3	Lister Ord.	1⅜	1⅝	
—	Selfridge 6 p.c. Pref. ...	1 1/32	1 3/32	

MISCELLANEOUS INDUSTRIALS.

35/0	African and East. Trade.	34/0	36/0	
3 1/16	Anglo-Arg. Tram 1st Pf.	3⅛	3⅛*	
18/6	Associated Cement	18/3	18/9	
16/0	Do. Pref.	15/6	16/6	
43/0	Borax Con. Def.	2 7/16	2 9/16*	
56⅛	Brasilian Traction	57	59	
28/0	British Portland Cement.	27/0	29/0	+0/6
—	British Glass	1/6	1/9	
13/0	B.S.A.	13/0	14/0	
22/9	British Oil and Cake.....	1⅛	1¼	
89½	Brit. Col. Electric Rail..	88	91	
—	Do. 4½ p.c. Debs.........	88	91*	
109/0	Brit.-Amer. Tobacco	108/6	110/6	+0/6
39 3	Brunner Mond	38/6	39/6	
82 0	Bryant and May	2⅝	2⅞	
—	De la Rue Deb.	33½	34½	
9/9	Dunlop Rubber	9/9	10/9	−0/3
109	Do. Deb.	104	108*	
—	Do. Amer. Tire Deb.....	103	106*	
—	English Electric	18/3	19 9	
—	Finlay (James)	3⅝	4⅛	
20/6	General Electric Ord.....	20 9	22/3	
—	Do. Debs.	104	107	
—	Gramophone Ord.	1⅛	1⅜*	
88/0	Imperial Tobacco Ord....	88/6	90/0	
21/7½	Lever 7 p.c. Pref.........	21/0	22/0*	
—	Lever 7 p.c. Debs........	107	109	
—	Lever 5 p.c. Debs........	99	101	
22	Mexican Trams	18	21	
—	Do. Bonds	70	74	
—	Do. L. and P. Bonds.	64	68	
24/6	Nobel Ord.	24/3	25/3	
21/0	Do. Pref.	20/9	21/9	+0/3
—	Do. Def.	9/0	10/0	
44/4½	Parent Tyre Def.	1⅝	1 13/16*	
23/0	Do. Ord.	1⅛	1 3/16*	
34/3	Platt Bros. Ord.	34/3	35/3	
29/6	Rolls Royce	1⅜	1½	
26/0	Salt Union	1 5/16	1 7/16	
95	San Paulo Tram Deb...	94	98*	
—	Shawinigan Water Debs.	108	113	
—	Tilling Ord.	2⅛	2⅜	+ 1/32
—	Do. 5½ p.c. Cum. Pref.	4⅜	4⅝*	
—	United Alkali	1⅞	2	
23 0	Wallpaper Def.	22/6	23/6	

OILS.

M.U. Dec. 16.				
3⅛	Agwi Petroleum	⅛	¼	
2⅝	Anglo-American	3 15/16	4 1/16	+ 1/16
1⅝	Anglo-Ecuadorian	2⅝	2⅞	
2⅞	Anglo-Egyptian "B"	1⅛	1⅜	
4 6	Anglo-Persian 8 p.c.	21/9	23/3	
23 6	Do. 9 p.c. 2nd Pref...	23 9	25/3	+0/1½
3½	Do. Ord., issued 3½ p.c.	3⅞	3 15/16	+ 1/32
94½	Do. 5 p.c. Deb.	102	104	
2⅛	Apex Trinidad	2⅝	2⅞	+ 1/32
2⅛	Attock	2¼	2⅜	
15/6	Brit. Borneo Pet. (10/-).	8/3	9/3	
8/9	British Burmah (8/-) ...	6/3	7/3	+0 6
13/9	British Controlled	17/4½	17/7½	+3/7½
14/4½	Do. Pref.	18/0	18/3	+0/3
5⅛	Burmah	5⅝	5¾	+ ⅛
26/3	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	26/6	27/0	
3/0	Caltex	2/9	3/0	
8 6	Dacia Romano	8/6	9/6	
4⅛	Eagle Transport	4⅞	5⅛	
102	Do. 7 p.c. Notes	101	103	
103½	Do. Bearer	102	104	
0 6	General Pet. Trinidad A.	0/3	0/6	+0/1½
14 6	Kern River (10/-)	14/9	15/3	+0/3
9⅜	Lobitos	9⅛	9⅜	
18/0	Mexican Eagle	16/3	16/9	+0/9
16/4½	Do. Pref.	14/6	15/6	+0/9
14/6	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	13/7½	14/1½	+0/3
⅝	North Caucasian (10/-)..	⅝	¾	
2 6	Peru Syndicate	0/9	1/9	
18/0	Phœnix	19/9	20/3	+0/1½
—	Rumanian Consolidated..	11/9	12/3	
31	Royal Dutch	32⅞	33⅛	+ 1½
4⅛	Shell Transport	4⅛	4⅝	+ ⅜
9⅛	Do. 5 p.c. Pref. (£10).	9⅝	10	
25/1½	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	24/10½	25/4½	+ 0/1½
2 4½	Spies (10/-)	2/9	3/3	+ 0/3
9 7½	Steaua Romana	9/10½	10/4½	+ 1/3
6/3	Tankers Pref.	6/3	6/9	+ 0/1½
⅝	Trinidad Central	⅜	½	
1⅜	Trinidad Lease	1⅜	1⅝	
7 4½	United Brit. Trinidad ...	7/4½	7/10½	+0/4½
⅛	Ural Caspian	⅛	3/16	
2/3	Uroz Oil	1/6	1/6	
2⅛	V.O.C. Holdings	2⅛	2¼	+ ⅛
2⅛	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	2⅜	2½	+ ⅛

RUBBERS.

44/0	Anglo-Dutch	49/9	+0/10½
2/10½	Anglo-Java	3 4½	+0/2¼
1¼	Anglo-Malay	28/3	+0/9
4/6	Bertam Cons.	4/10½	+0 4½
3/0	Bukit Mertajam	3 4½	+0/1
2/0	Bukit Sembawang	2/2½	−0/0½
16/3	Damansara	17/3	+0/9
22/0	Grand Central	23 0	−0/4½
1⅛	Highlands	41/6	+0/10½
2/9	Kamuning	2/10½	+0/1½
4/3	Kepong	4 8½	−0/0½
1⅜	Kuala Lumpur	40/0	+1/6
1⅛	Labu	32/6	
1⅝	Linggi	41/6	+0/9
3/10½	London Asiatic	4/1½	+0/1
1⅜	Malacca	40/0	+1/3
38/6	Malayalam	42 6	+1/7½
3/6½	Merlimau	3 9½	+0/0½
1⅛	Mooply Valley	25/0	−0/3
2 7½	Port Dickson	2 9½	+0/0½
32 0	Rubber Trust	35/3	+1/10½
14/3	Seafield	16/0	+0/1½
1⅝	Senadyan	33 9	+1/10½
1⅝	Sialang	37 6	+0/9¾
20/0	Straits Rubber	21/10½	+0/7½
1 1/16	Tali Ayer	23/9	+0/6
1⅛	Tandjong	38/0*	−0/9
3/10½	Un. Serdang	4 3	+0 1½
3⅞	United Sua Betong	78 9	+4/0
13 9	Vallambrosa	15/4½	+0/10½

Ampat	4/7½		Membakut.....	17/6	
Anglo-Sum ...	60/0		N. Hummock.	21/0	+0/4½
Bah Lias	37/6	+1/3	P.P.K.(C'yl'n)	21 6	
Batu Tiga	39/3	+1/1½	Pataling	22/0	+0/9
B.N.B.R. Trst	13/3	+0 6	Pegoh	41/3	+0/7½
Brieh	2 3	+0/3	Pilmoor	19/9	
Bukit Cloh ...	4/6¾		Rim Malacca	4/0	−0/2
Bukit Rajah...	24/6	+1/3	Rub.E.Johore	23/6	−/10½
Castlefield.......	5/4½	+0/7½	Sapong	46/3	+0/7½
Cheviot	3 3	−0/1	Sapumalk'de.	23/9	+1/9
Cicely	5/7½	+0/3¾	Selangor	6/0¾	+0 3½
Eastern Trust	17/3	+0/7½	Serdang C'nt'l	30/7½	+0/6½
Gen. Ceylon...	45/7½	+0/7½	Soember Ajoe.	2 3¾	+0/2¼
Glenbervie	27/9	+0/9	Sumatra Con..	26 3	+2/6
Glenshiel	15/6	+0/9	Sungei Buaya.	35 6	+1/0
Golden Hope	23 7½		Sungei Chob...	21/6	+0/3
Java Amal.....	30/2¼	+1/2¼	Sungei Kapar.	4/6	+0/3
Kapar Para....	45/0	+2/6	Sungei Kr. Pl.	35/9	
Kasintoe	23/3	+0/1½	Taiping	1/10½	
Kepitigalla	1/8		Tamiang	32/3	+1/0
Kombok	3/0		Tebrau	42 3	+1/6
Langkat Sum	31/3		Telogoredjo...	50 6	+1/1½
Ledbury	33/0	+0/9	Tempeh	2/0	−0/0½
Malacca deb.	97½		Un. Temiang.	3/4½	+0/3
Manch'terN B.	25/6	+0/6	Yam Seng.....	2 8	+0/1½

* Ex div. † Ex rights. ‡ Cum div. § bonus.

TEAS.

Amal. Estates	48⅛	− ⅛	Doom Dooma...	6*	+ ⅛
Anglo-Ceylon..	54/0	−0/3	E.I. & Ceylon...	72/0*	− 0/3
Assam Co.	49/7½	−0/1½	E. Assam	81/7½*	−0/7½
Assam Cons....	21/9	+0/1½	East.Produce...	80/7½	+0/10½
Assam Front'r.	8⅝	+ 1/16	Empire	96/0*	+1/0
Assam Docars	59	− ⅛	Galaha Ceylon	44/7½	+0/3
Aso.T.E.Cy'ln.	44/3	+0/1½	Imperial	60/9*	
Attaree Khat...	48/9		Imperial Ceylon	49/0	
Balijan	55/6	−0/4½	Jetinga Valley.	64/6	
Bargang	71/1½	+1/3	Jhanzie	97/6*	−0/3
Borelli	5 11/16	+ ⅛	Jokai	99/10½	−0/4½
Borhella	33⅛		Jorehaut	101/3	−1/9
Bowlana	29/3	−0/7½	Longai Valley	51/4½	−0/7½
Brahmapootra.	35⅝	+ ⅛	Lungla	50/3*	+ 0/3
British Assam.	6⅛		Lunuva	45/0	
Brit. Indian	38/9*	+ 0/6	Lunuva new....	4 0pm	
Budla Beta.....	7⅛	+ ⅛	Majuli	95/3	+1/3
Cachar & Do'ars	5⅛		Moabund	86/0	+0/1½
Ceylon Plant...	5⅝		Nedeem	83/7½	−0/10½
Ceylon Prop....	56/4½	−0/1½	NewSylhet......	6⅛	+ ⅛
Chargola	37/3¾	−0/3¾	Pandan	21/6	−0/3
Chubwa	5 9/16	+ 1/16	Peacock & Nil.	4/4	
Chulsa	67/6*		Poonmudi	4 2¼	−0/1½
Con.Tea & L...	82*	+ 1½	Roseaugh Cey	35/3	
Darjeeling	45/3		Seph'juri Bheel	17 0	
Ditto Cons.....	77/6	+ 0/9	Singlo	80/0*	− 0/3
Dejoo	47/7½		Tea Corpn......	32/7½	+ 0/3
Deundi	29/1½	+ 0/4½	Travancore	5 11/16	+ 1/16
Dimbula Valley	61/3		U. Planters.C.	79/3	+1/0
Doocars	93 0	+ 0/6	U. Assam	72 6	+1/0
Dooloogram ...	68/3				

*Ex dividend.

INSURANCE SHARES.

BUSINESS DONE IN LONDON:—Alliance Assurance, 15; Atlas Assurance, 16⅛; British General Insurance, 51/6, 9d.; Commercial Union, 23, ⅛, 2 15/16, 3⅛; do. 4 p.c. Ocean Deb. Stock, 92; Consolidated Assurance, 40/-, 9d.; Eagle Star, 8⅛; Employers' Liability, 90/4½, 7½d.; General Accident, 9⅛, 8⅞, 9 1/16, ⅛, 3/32, 1/16, 9; Guardian Assurance, 8, ⅛, 1/32; do. Pref. 5 p.c. Non-Cum., 78/1½; Licenses and General, 65/-; London and Lancashire, 20 1/16, ⅛, ⅛, 3/16; London Associated Reinsurance, 8⅛; North British and Mercantile, 20⅛, ⅛, 1⅛, 1; Northern Assurance, 17⅛, ⅛; Phœnix Assurance, £13 17/-; do. Pelican, £13 16/9; Prudential Assurance "A" Shares, 21⅛, 1/16, 1, 20 15/16, ⅛, 1⅛; do. "B" Shares, 37/4½, 2½d., 3d., 6/9; Royal Insurance, 32⅛, 2; Victory Insurance, 4/-, 3d.; Western Alliance Reinsurance, 12/9, 6d.; World Auxiliary Insurance, 25/-, 4/7½, 6d.; Blackburn Philanthropic Assurance, 6/1½; Caledonian Insurance (£1 paid), 16⅛, ⅛, ⅛.

BUSINESS DONE IN LIVERPOOL:—Alliance New, 16⅛, 16; Caledonian Insurance, £16 6/-; Commercial Union, 23, 1/16, 1/16, ⅛, 1/16; Employers' Liability, 90/3; General Accident, 9⅛, 1/16; Guardian Assurance, 8 1/16; London and Lancashire, 20⅛, ⅛, ⅛; North British, 21; Northern Assurance, 17⅛; Phœnix, 13⅛, 1/16, ⅛; do. Pelican, 13⅛; do. Norwich Union, 13, 18; Royal Insurance, 32, ⅛, 2, Sea, 74/0¾, 3/9.

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS.

ASSOCIATED NEWSPAPERS.—Quarterly dividend of 2/- per share.

ABERDEEN, NEWCASTLE, AND HULL STEAM.—Further dividend of 1/- per share, free of tax.

BULLARD AND SONS.—Dividend of 10 per cent. (same).

CAVE AUSTIN.—Dividend of 8 per cent. (Dividend for previous year same.)

IONIAN BANK.—Final dividend at 3/- per share, free of tax, and bonus at 3/- per share, free of tax.

MARCONI'S WIRELESS TELEGRAPH.—Dividend of 7 per cent. on 7 per cent. Cumulative Participating Preference Shares in respect of year 1924, payable 1st January.

RIO CLARO RAILWAY AND INVESTMENT.—Final dividends of 3½ per cent. on the 5 per cent. Cum. Pref. Stock, 4½ per cent. on the Ord. Stock.

VICTORIA PIER AND PROMENADE HOTEL CO., SOUTHPORT.—Dividend of 10 per cent. actual, less tax; £3,890 forward.

DEALINGS IN LONDON MARKET.

The following dealings among active stocks and shares were "marked" in London yesterday:—Consols—57⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 1/16, ⅛. 3½ p.c. War Loan—97, 1/16, 7. 4½ p.c. War Loan—97⅛, ⅛, 7. 5 p.c. War Loan—101⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 1/16, ⅛, 1/16, 1/16, 1/16, 1/16, 1/16. 4 p.c. War Loan—101⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 1, ⅛. Funding Loan—89⅛, 1/16, ⅛, 1/16, ⅛, ⅛. Victory Bonds—93⅛, 3, ⅛, ⅛, 1/16, 2⅛, ⅛, 3⅛, 2⅛. Conversion Loan 3½ p.c.—79, 8⅛, 1/16, 1/16, 9 5/16, 8 15/16; do. 4½ p.c.—97⅛, 1/16, ⅛, 1/16, 1/16, 1/16. India 7 p.c. Loan—105⅛, ¼. India 4½ p.c.—86⅛, 1/16, ⅛, 1/16. Australia 6 p.c. Stock—105⅛, ⅛, ⅛; do. 5 p.c. Stock—101⅛, 1/16. South Africa 6 p.c.—105⅛. Japan 6 p.c. Sterling—92⅛, 1⅛, 2, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, *3. Aerated Bread—26/9, 10½d., 6d. African and Eastern—34/10½, 6d., 11½d., 10½d. Allied Newspapers Pref.—20/1½, 19/9, 20/3, *3d., 20/-, 19/9. Amalgamated Cotton—11/9, 10½d., 7d., 11½d., 6d. Amalgamated Press—45/1½, 3d., 5d. Anglo-Dutch Rubber—48/10½, 4½d., 9/-, 1½d., 6d., 9/3, 8/10½, 9/6, 50/-, 49/4½. Armstrong—15/-, 3d. Assc. Cement—16/0½, 3d., 16/-, 15/9, 16/-, 1½d. Associated Newspapers Def.—6 5/16, ⅛, 1/16, *⅛, 39-64, *⅛, 37-64, 1/16, 1/16. Baldwins Ord.—13/6, 14/3, 14/-, 13/11½, 14/4½, 1½d. Barclays Bank "A"—8 1/16, ⅛, 1/16; do. "B"—87/-, 6d., 1½d., 7/-, 6d. Beecham Estates Pref.—21/4½, 7½d., 4½d. Bovril Def.—47/3, 6/7½, 7/-, 3d. Brazilian Traction—58. Brit. Amer. Tobacco—110/-, 9/9, 4½d., 8/6, 10/-, 9/6. British Oil and Cake—23/7½, 10½d., 4/1½, 3d., 4/-, 3/9, *4/-, 1½d., ½d. British Overseas Bank—5⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 1/16. Brunner Mond—39/-, 8/10½, 9d., 9/-. Bryant and May—52/7½, 2½d., 10½d. Buenos Ayres Great Southern—87, ⅛, 6⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 7⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 6⅛. Buenos Ayres Western Ord.—75⅛, 6⅛, ⅛, 6, ⅛, 6, 5⅛, 6, ⅛. Buenos Ayres Pacific—80, 79⅛, *⅛, ⅛, 80⅛, 79⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Calico Printers—39/1½, 9/-, 8/10½, 3d., 9/3, 6d., 4½d., 7½d., 9d. Canadian Pacific—160, 59⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 60⅛, 60, *59⅛, ⅛, 9. Central Argentine Cons.—73⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 4, ⅛, 3⅛, 4. Coats—64/1½, 3/6, 9d., 4/-, *9d. Cook (St. Paul's) Ord.—23/-. Cory (Wm.)—*42/-, 3/3, 1½d. Courtaulds—68/6, 8/-, 9d., 4½d., 7½d., 10½d., 9/-, 8/8⅛, 9/-, 8/10½, 9/1½, 3d., 9/6; do. Pref.—18/9, 10½d., 7½d., 8½d., *7½d., 9½d., 19/-. Crosse and Blackwell—2/7½, 7d. Crosses and Winkworth Pref.—12/6, 9d., 4½d., 7½d., 3½d. Cunard Ord.—19/3, 6d., 3d.; do. Debentures—105, 4⅛. Daily Mail Trust Debs.—109, *7, 8⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 8. Daily Mirror Ord.—6 11/16, 37-64, 1/16, 1/16, 1/16, 1/16, £6 19/3, 6⅛, 1/16, 7. Dorman Long—13/6, 9d., 6d. Dunlop Ord.—10/3, 10/0¾, 3d., 2½d., 1½d., 4½d., 1½d.; do. "C" Pref.—20/9, 10½d.; do. Debentures—106⅛, 5⅛. Dunlop Tire America Debentures—105⅛, ⅛. Edison Swan—5/9⅛. Elder-Dempster 6 p.c. Pref.—19/7½, 3d., 7½d. English Sewing Cotton—63/3, 2/9, 3/9, 3/-, 6d., 4/-, 2/6, 9d., 3/3, 4/6, 3/9⅛, 2/9, 3/9, 2/9. Fine Cotton Spinners—59/9, 60/-, *59/-, 60/6, 59/4½, 60/-, 59/9, 60/3, 3½d., 3d. Finlay (James)—80/-, 79/9, 6d., 8/6, 9/3, 7½d. Forestal Land—22/9, 6d., 3d., 9d. General Electric Ord.—21/4½, 3d., 7½d.; do. Debs.—106⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. German 3 p.c.—27/-, 5/6, 6/-; do. 3½ p.c.—17/3, 18/3; do. 4 p.c.—18/3, 19/-; do. 7 p.c. External Loan—99, 8⅛, 1/16, ⅛, 1/16, ⅛, ⅛, 9⅛, 8⅛; do. issued at 92 (£60 paid)—66⅛, 1/16, ⅛, 1/16, 6, ⅛. Grand Central Rubber—23/4½, 3d., 7½d., 6d., 2/10½, 3/6, 3/-. Grand Trunk Pacific 4 p.c. Debs.—67, 8, 7⅛, ⅛. Great Western Rail—108⅛, ⅛, 9, ⅛, ⅛, 1/16, ⅛; do. 5 p.c. Pref.—*102⅛, 3⅛, 2⅛. Harland and Wolff Pref.—18/1½, 18/-. Harrods Ord.—43/3, 4½d., 4/-, 3/9. Highlands Rubber—41/3, 2/-, 1/10½, 2/6, 1/9, 3/9, 2/6, *40/7½. Hudson's Bay Ord.—5⅛, 1/16, ⅛, 1/16, 1/16, 1/16, ⅛, ⅛. Hungarian 7½ p.c., 1924—94⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 4, ⅛, ⅛, 3⅛, 4⅛, 3⅛, 1/16, 1/16, 4⅛, ⅛. Imperial Tobacco—90/-, 89/9, 1½d., 4½d., 6d., 7½d., 90/-, 8/7½, 8/10½, 9/1½; do. Canada—28/-, 7/10½, 8/4½. Jute Industries—6/4, ½d. Lever 7 p.c. Pref.—21/3, 7½d., 6d., 4½d., 6½d., 5½d., 6d., 7½d., 1½d., 5½d., 3d., 6½d., 4½d., 6d., ½d. Lever 8 p.c. Pref.—21/3, 2½d., 4½d., 2½d., 6d. Lever 7 p.c. Debs.—108⅛. Linggi Rubber—41/3, 10½d., 3d., 40/9, 1/10½, 9d., 40/7½, *40/-, *7½d., 7½d. Lipton Ord.—23/3, 6d., 10½d., 4/-, 3/9, 10½d., 1½d., *3/-, 2/9, *6d., 3/-. Lister Ord.—34/-, 3d., 1½d., 4½d., 3/10½, 9d., 11½d., 4/3, 4/-. Lloyd's Bank—62/-, 1/9, 2/3, 1/9. London Asiatic Rubber—4/2⅛, 3d., 4/-, 3d., 1½d., ½d., 1d., 2d. London, Midland and Scottish Ord.—101⅛, *⅛, ⅛, *⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 1/16, *⅛, ⅛, 2, 1⅛. London and N.E. Pref.-Ord.—83⅛, 2⅛, ⅛, 3⅛, 2⅛. London and N.E. Def.-Ord.—31, 30 15/16, ⅛, ⅛, 1/16, 1/16. Lyons (J.) and Co. Ord.—95/-; do. 7 p.c. Pref.—24/3, 6d. Malayalam Rubber—41/3, 6d., 40/9, 1/4⅛, 6d., 40/7½, 1/7½, 2/-, 1/-, 4½d., 4⅛d., 40/9, 1/7½. Marconi Ord.—32/6, 6d., 30/7½, 1/6, 3d., 1/-. Marconi Pref.—27/6, 8/9; do. Marine—21/10½, 6d., 2/1½, 1/7½; do. Canada—5/6, 3d., 4½d. Maypole Def.—6/-, 5/11½, 10½d., 11½d., 9½d., 6d., 9½d. Metropolitan Rail—83, 2⅛, 3. Metropolitan District—56. Midland Bank—8 11/16, 1/16, *⅛, 1/16. Mond Nickel—44/9, 3d. National Provincial Bank (£3¼)—10 1/16, ⅛, ⅛, 1/16; do. (£4)—11 3/16, *⅛, ⅛, 1/16, 1/16. Nestle 8 p.c. Pref.—23/9, 4/3. Nobel Industries—24/4½, 9d., 7½d., 9d.; do. Pref.—21/-, 4½d., 3d., 6d.; do. Def.—9/4½; do. Debs.—105. Parent Def.—36/6, 5/9. Peruvian Corp. Pref.—40⅛, 1, 40⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 40 1/16, 1, 40⅛ 1/16, ⅛, 40⅛. Platt Bros. Ord.—34/9. P. and O. 5 p.c. Debs.—101, 100⅛, ⅛. Radio Corp. Com.—10⅛, ⅛. Rubber Trust—35/-, 1½d., 4/9, 10½d., 7½d., 5/3, 4/9, 5/1½, 4½d., *5/-, 6d., 3d. Selfridge Ord.—*24/7½, 9d. Smithfield and Argentine—14/-. Southern Rail Pref.-Ord.—84⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛; do. Def.-Ord.—44⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 1/16, ⅛, *⅛, 5; do. Ord. "A"—41⅛, 2, ⅛. Sudan Plantations—7 11/16, ⅛, 1/16, 1/16, ⅛, *⅛, 15-64, 1/16. "Sunday Pictorial" Ord.—88/1½, 7/9, 6d., 6/10½, 7/-, 8/1½, 7/6, 9/4½. Swedish Match "B"—9 15/16, ⅛, 10, ⅛, 1/16, 9⅛, 10 1/16, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 1/16, ⅛, 10⅛, 1/16, 9⅛, 10 5-64, 19-64, 1/16, 21-64. Turkish Unified—18, ⅛, ⅛, 17⅛, 18⅛, 17⅛, 18 1/16, 17⅛, 18⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 17⅛, 18 1/16. Underground Electric—61/10½, 3d., 2/6. Underground Income Bonds—100⅛, ⅛, 100, ⅛, 100. Union Cold Storage 6 p.c. Pref.—21/3, 4½d., 3½d., 4½d. United Dairies—35/3, 6d., 4½d., 7½d., 1½d., 6d., 3d. United of Havana Rail—86, 5⅛, ⅛, 6. United Serdang Rubber—4/4, 2d., 3d., 1d., 1½d., 3½d., 4/-, 2½d., 2½d. United Tobacco—86/6. Vickers—11/9, 9½d., 6d. Watney Combe Def.—214, 15⅛, 15, 15⅛. Westminster Bank—18, ⅛, 1/16, *18, £18 1/-. Whiteley (Wm.)—77/9, 6d. Workman Clark Debs.—31.

MINES.

Anglo-American Corp.—24/6, 24/0¾, 7½d. Brakpan—76/3, 5/3¾, 5/9, 11½d., 5/-. British South Africa (Chart.)—16/9, 7½d., 8½d., *15/10½, 16/6⅛, 6d., 10½d., 9½d. Cam and Motor—51/10½, 2/-, 9½d., 3/1½, 5½d., 9d. Central Mining—12 1/16, ⅛, *⅛, 1/16, ⅛. Chosen Syndicate—34/0¾, 5/3¾, 4½d., 6d., 5/-. City Deep—68/9, 9/0¾, 4½d., 8/1½, 5½d., 8/-. Consol. Gold Fields—17/9, 18/1½. Consol. Main Reef—14/10½, 6½d. Crown Mines—56/10½, 3d., 7/6, 9½d. De Beers Def.—12 1/16, ⅛, 19-64, ⅛, 1/16, ⅛, 7. Durban Rood. Deep—23/10½, 3d., 4½d. East Rand Prop.—12/1½, 11/9, 11½d., 9½d., 12/-, 11/7½. Geduld—64/0¾, 3/9, 5/-. General Mining—13/10½, *9d., 14/-. Government Areas—£7 7/3, 7⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Johannesburg Invest.—37/3, 1½d., 7½d., 4½d., *3d., 6d., 9d. Kirkland Lake—6/4⅛, 3d., 6/-. Langlaagte—22/-, 1/9, 1/7½. Modderfontein B (5/- shares)—28/6, 7/6, 8/-, 7/9. Modderfontein Deep (5/- shares)—46/6⅛, 3d. Modderfontein East—17/9. Mount Lyell—24/9, 7½d., 6d., 10½d. New Kleinfontein—4/10½. New Modderfontein—86/10½, 3d., *5/7½, 7½d., 6/3. New State Areas—34/4⅛, 3/4⅛, 1½d., 3d. Nourse—8/6. Pengkalen—41/10½, 6¾d., 2/-. Rand Mines—58/1½, 7/9⅛, *8/1½, 7/6. Randfontein Estates—*19/7½, 20/3, 1½d. Robinson Deep A—27/6, 8/1½; do. B—39/4⅛, 9/-. Ropp Tin—14/6, 3d., 4½d. Rose Deep—13/6, 5½d. Russo-Asiatic—6/7½, 4½d., 5½d., 6d., 6½d., *4d., 3⅛d., 3d. Selukwe Gold—15/4½, 5½d., 6d., 7½d., *3d., 3d., 9d. South American Copper—11/5⅛, 6d., 3d., 4½d., 7½d. Springs—54/8⅛, 5/7½, 6d., 3½d., 4/4⅛, 9d., 3/9, 4/7½, 5/3. Tanganyika—36/7⅛, 6d., 10½d., 7½d., 6/-, 9d., 7/-, 1½d., 4½d., 6d., 6/3, 7/5⅛, *9/3, *26/-, 36/10⅛. Tingha Tin (5/- paid)—9/6, 10/-, 9/9, 9/4⅛, *9d., 10/3, 1½d., 9/11⅛, 3d. Union Corporation—45/-, 6d. Van Ryn—27/9, 3d., *9d., *2/-, 7/6. Van Ryn Deep—80/-, 6d., 10½d., 1/3. Village Deep—15/10½. West Springs—25/-, 3d., *4/10½, 9d., 5/3. Zinc Corp.—33/4⅛, 2/9, 3/-, 7½d., 9d., 3d., 6d., 1½d., 8½d.

OILS.

Agwi Corp. "A"—8/-, 10½d., 9d., 8½d., 6d. Anglo-American Ord.—80/-, 79/8⅛, 8/9⅛, 10½d., 3d., 9/4⅛, 8/9. Anglo-Ecuadorian—48/9, 9/0¾, 8/1½. Anglo-Persian Ord.—67/6, 9½d., 8/1½, 6/10½, 8/9, 7/2⅛, 8/5⅛, 9/4⅛, *6/3⅛, 9/-, 70/-; do. 8 p.c. Pref.—25/3, 5/-. British Controlled Com.—17/4⅛, 3d., 3½d., 1½d., 2½d., 6/0¾, 5½d., 16/11½, 17/7½, ½d., 6½d.; do. Pref.—18/-, ½d., 1½d., 3d., 4½d., 17/11½, 10½d., 18/3⅛, 18/2⅛, 17/9, 9½d., 8½d., 18/6, *4½d. Burmah—5 11/16, *⅛, 1/16, ⅛, ⅛, 17-64, 1/16, ⅛, 13-64. Caltex—3/-, 2/10½, 11d. Kern River—15/-, 14/9. Lobitos—9 11/16, 49-64, 57-64, ⅛, 1/16. Mexican Eagle Ord.—16/6, 1½d., 16/-, 15/10½, 9d., 16/4⅛, 3d.; do. 7 p.c. 1st Pref.—13/7½. Phœnix Oil—20/1½, 20/-, 19/10½, 20/3. Royal Dutch—32⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 1/16, ⅛, ⅛, 1/16, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 3⅛. Shell—87/6, 8/1⅛, 5½d., 9d., 9/4⅛, 7/9⅛, *8/1½, 8/-, 7/10½, 91/3, *90/-, 89/6, ½d., 8/3, 9/8⅛, *6/10½. Trinidad Leaseholds—54/6⅛, 5/3⅛, 4/6, ½d., 5/-. V.O.C. Holdings—52/2⅛, 6d., 3/4⅛, 2/9⅛, 3/8⅛, 4/0¾, 5/3⅛, 7½d., 4/8⅛, 5/-, 3/1⅛, 3/9, 5/6.

TEAS.

Amalgamated Estates—47⅛, 8⅛, ⅛. Anglo-Ceylon—54/3, 3/9. Assam Company—49/3, 50/-, 49/6, 3d., 9d., 1½d., 50/3, 50/3, 49/9. Assam Cons.—22/-, 1/10½, 6d., 7½d., 2/-. Assam Doocars—59. Assam Frontier—8 11/16, 1/16, 1/16, ⅛, 1/16, 1/16, 1/16. Assoc. Tea Estates, Ceylon—44/3. Balijan—56/-, 5/-. Bargang—70/4⅛, 2/-. Borelli—5 11/16, 1/16, ⅛. Bowlana—29/3. Brahmapootra—35⅛, ⅛. British Assam—6 1/16, 9-64, ⅛, 1/16, ⅛, 1/16, ⅛. British Indian—(x.d.) 99/-, 8/6. Budla Beta—7 1/16. Cachar and Doocars—5 11/16, 1/16, 6, 5 1/16, 6. Ceylon Plant—5⅛, 1/16, 1/16, £5 12/-. Ceylon Prop.—56/6, 4½d., 6/-. Chargola—37/-, 3d., 6d. Chubwa—5 9/16. Cons. Tea and Lands—(x.d.) 82⅛, ⅛, 2, ⅛, 1⅛, ⅛, 2, ⅛, 1⅛, 2⅛, 2, 1⅛. Darjeeling—45/4⅛, 5/-; do. Consol—77/6. Deundi—29/-, 8/9, 9/6, 8/10½, 9/3. Doocars—93/-. Doom Dooma—(x.d.) 6. East India and Ceylon—(x.d.) 72/-. Eastern Assam—(x.d.) 81/6, 2/-, 1/-. Eastern Produce—89/6, 3d., 7½d., 9/-, 6d., 90/3, 89/-, 89/-, 7½d., 3d., 6d. Empire—(x.d.) 95/6, 6/-, 5/3, 6/-, 7/-, 6/-, 7/-, 5/6, 9d., 5/-. Galaha Ceylon—45/-, 4/6, 4/-. Imperial—(x.d.) 60/9, 3d., 6d., 1/3, 60/9. Jhanzie—(x.d.) 97/6. Jokai—99/6, 9/-, 7½d., 100/9, 99/-. Jorehaut—£5 1/-, £5 1/6. Longai Valley—51/6, 2/-, 50/6. Lungla—(x.d.) 50/3. Lunuva—44/6, 5/-, 6d. Majuli—94/9, 5/9. Moabund—85/6, 4½d., 6/3, 5/9, 6/6. Nedeem—86/-, 6/3. New Sylhet—5 9/16, ⅛, ⅛, 1/16. Pandan—21/4½, 6d., 9d., 3d. Peacock and Nilambe—4/3, 4½d., 3½d. Poonmudi—4/3, 1½d. Sephinjuri Bheel—17/-. Singlo—(x.d.) 80/6. Tea Corporation—33/-, 3d., 3/-, 2/9, 10½d., 22/-. Travancore—5 11/16, 1/16, 1/16, ⅛. United Planters, Ceylon—76/-, 4/6, 5/-, 4/6. Upper Assam—72/6. Tea Share Trust—69/9, 70/-, 1/3, 70/-, 6d., 1/3, 69/1½, 9d., 3d., 1½d., 4½d., 70/-. Halem—81/-, 9/6, 1/3, 3/9, 2/-, 8/-, 3/9, 2/-, 5/-, 3/9, 1/9, 10½d., 3d., 6d., 2/3, 1/3, 2/-, 80/6, 77/6, 8/9, 81/10½, 3/9, 80/9, 79/6, 80/3, 6d., 1/9, 2/6, 3/9, 2/-, 80/-, 1/10½.

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DUBLIN BANKERS' CLEARING FOR SEVEN YEARS.

	£		£
1918	305,872,000		
1919	386,205,600		
1920	454,080,700		
1921	362,903,500	decrease	91,177,200
1922	320,390,600	decrease	42,512,900
1923	316,956,600	decrease	3,434,000
1924	279,369,900	decrease	37,586,700

Total decrease since 1920 ... £174,710,800

LAST WEEK'S FIGURES. A RECORD DECREASE.

		Corresponding Period of Last Year.	Increase or Decrease.
Week ended Dec. 27...	£ 3,615,300	£ 8,258,500	£ − 4,643,200
52 Weeks to date	279,369,900	316,956,600	− 37,586,700

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LONDON MINING MARKET FIRM.

COPPER AND TIN SHARES IN EVIDENCE.

In the Mining market there was a fair amount of business with a firm tendency. In the Kaffir section most of the transactions put through were in the nature of investment-buying of good class shares, which are now full of dividend. This department was, however, handicapped to a certain extent by the continued apathy of Paris, while the Cape simply concentrated on a couple of favourites. These were "T. C. L." and Transvaal Development, both of which were bought in large lines, and registered sharp advances on reports of further platinum discoveries, in which both are said to be largely interested. In this connection it was stated that the locally-formed Lydenburg Platinum Company had been largely over-subscribed. Northern Minerals were also mentioned on rumoured diamond discoveries. In the general list, Union Corporation were a good market, and "Johnnies" and Modderfontein were wanted, but City Deep and Springs Mines receded, and the other movements were quite uninteresting. Rhodesians gave a very good account of themselves. Chartered were a better market, but Tanks and Zams occupied leading positions, and, despite heavy profit-taking, both registered substantial gains. "B. C. A." and Bwana M'Kubwa were also wanted and moved up, and several other low-priced descriptions strengthened, but Cam and Motor, Sherwood, Starr and Selukwe left off without alteration. Diamonds were firm, with a steady inquiry for the De Beers issues, Jagersfontein, and Consolidated Diamonds. West African Diamonds were a trifle easier. Base metal descriptions enjoyed greater popularity than any others, and Tin shares, in particular, showed no signs of losing the position they gained in the closing days of last week. Moreover, the price of the metal advanced £2 15s. to £271 12s. 6d. per ton, and this, of course, stimulated the inquiry. The price of copper rose 15s. to £67 8s. 9d. per ton, and Copper shares were again much in evidence. Rio Tinto, which were bought from the Continent, were a very strong spot, and, after modest fluctuations, closed no less than 25s. higher on the day's closing prices.

SOUTH AFRICAN.

M.U. Dec. 15.			
1⅛	Anglo-Amer. Corp.	1 3/16-1¼	
15/0	Anglo-French......	14/9-15/3	
3⅛	Brakpan	3⅞-3⅛	
12⅛	Cent. Min'g (£8)..	12⅛-12⅛	
13/6	Central W'st(£1)..	13 3-13/9	
3⅛	City Deep	3⅜-3½	− 1/32
20/0	Con. Goldfields....		
15/3	Cons. Main Reef ...	14/6-15/0	
15/3	Cons. Selec. (10/-).	15/0-15/6	
2⅛	Crown Mines (10/-)	2⅞-2⅞	
23 9	Durban Deep	23/3-23/9	− 0/3
12 3	E. Rand Prop.......	11/9-12/0	
3⅛	Geduld	3⅛-3¼	
14/0	Gen. Mining	13/9-14/3	− 0/3
12/9	G. M. Investment	10/3-10/9	+ 0/3
7⅛	Government Mines	7⅛-7⅞	
13/0	H. E. Prop		
36/3	Johan'burg I'vst..	37/3-37/9	+ 0/6
—	Kleinfontein	4/6-5/0	
17/6	Knight's	15/3-16 9	
22/0	Langlaagte Estate	21/6-22/0	
3⅛	Meyer & Charlton	3⅞-4⅛	
4⅛	M'derfontein (10/)	4⅛-4⅛	+ ⅛
28/1½	Modder B (5/)	28/6-29/0	
2⅛	Modder Deep (5/).	2⅝-2⅝	
1⅛	Modder East	17/6-18/0	
3⅛	New State Areas...	1⅛-1⅛	
1⅛	Nigel		
9/3	Nourse Mines	8/3-9/0	
2⅛	Rand Mines (5/)....	2⅜-2⅜	
20/3	Randfontein	19/9-20/3	− 0/3
1⅛	Rob'son D A (1/)...	1⅛-1⅛	
38/9	Robinson Dp. B....	38/9-39/3	+ 0/3
13/3	Rose Deep	13/3-13/9	+ 0/3
11/3	Sabie (5/-)	10/7½-10/4½	+ 0/4½
1⅛	S.A. Gold Trust..		
2⅛	Springs Mines........	2⅛-2⅛	
12/0	Sub Nigel	11/6-12/0	− 0/3
3	Trans. and Del. E.	3-3⅛	
27/0	Trans.-Con. L (10)	28/6-29/0	+ 1/6
44/6	Union Corp (12/6)	43/6-45/6	+ 1/4½
25/6	Van Ryn	27/3-27/9	
3⅛	Van Ryn Deep	3⅞-4	
23/6	Vereeniging	22/6-23/0	
11/9	Village Deep	10/6-11/0	− 0/3
23/9	West Springs	25/0-25/6	
1⅛	Do. Options.........	4/0-5/3	
⅛	Wit'ersrand Deep	17/0-18/0	

RUSSIAN.

7/0	Lena Gold.............	6/6-7/6
5/0	RussoAsiat-Cns.....	6/3 6/6
4/0	Russian Mining	3/6-4/6
5/0	Siberian Props......	5/0-6/0
⅛	Spassky................	⅞-1⅛

RHODESIAN.

M.U. Dec. 15.			
6/3	Bechuanaland Ex.	6/0-6 6	
2⅛	Cam and Motor.....	2⅝-2⅞	
16/7½	Char'd B.S.A......	16/9-17/0	+ 0/3
2/9	Falcon	2/6-3/0	+ 0/3
22/0	Gaika Gold...........	21/3-22/3	
13/3	Globe & Phœnix (5/)	13/0-13/6	+ 0/3
6/6	Gold F. Rho. (10/)	6/4½-6/7½	
1⅛	Lonely Reef	1-1⅛	
2	Rezende	1⅞-2⅛	
4/1½	R. Broken Hill (5/)	4/1½-4/4½	
12/0	Selukwe (2/6)........	15/6-15/9	
1⅛	Shamva Mines.......	1⅜-1½	
3⅛	Sherwood Starr.....	3⅞-4	
36/3	Tanganyika	37/0-37/6	+ 1/6
4/10	Vic. Falls Ord	2⅜-2½	+ 1/32
4/9	do. Pref.	31/6-32/6	
18 0	Wankie Col. 10/-..	18/6-19/6	
5/0	Willoughby...........	5 0-5 6	
20/3	Zambesia Expl.	24/0-24/6	+ 0/3

DIAMOND.

⅞	Angola Diamond.....	⅝-⅞	
17/0	Con. D. S. W. A. ..	16/9-17/3	+ 0/3
12⅛	De Beers Def.........	12⅛-12⅛	+ 1/16
11⅛	do. Pref.	11⅛-11⅛	+ 1/16
3⅛	Jagersfontein........	3-3⅛	+ ⅛
7/0	N. Val. River	1⅛-1⅛	
7⅛	Premier Pf. (5/-	6⅛-7⅛	
1⅛	West African	13/0-13/6	− 0/3

AUSTRALIAN.

20/6	Amal. Zinc.	1-1⅛	
13/0	Associated	12/6-13/0	
28/6	Broken Hill Prop	28 0-27/0	+ 0/6
3	B. Hill Sth. (New.	3⅛-3⅛	+ 1/16
1⅛	Electro Zinc Pref	1⅜-1⅛	
19 6	Lake View (10/-)	19/3-20/3	+ 0/3
5⅛	North Broken Hill	5⅝-5⅞	+ 1/16
13/0	Sulphide Ord.........	14/0-15/0	
13 0	South Kalgurli	13/0-14/0	
32 6	Zinc Ord. (10/-) ...	33/0-34/0	+ 1/0
3⅛	do. Pref.	3⅛-3⅛	+ 1/16

WEST AFRICAN.

11/6	Ashanti Gold (4/)	11/6-12/0	
9/4½	Fanti Cons. (8/).	9/0-9/6	
15/7½	Gold Coast Amal.	15/4½-15 9	
3/9	Taquah & Abosso.	3/9-4/3	

TIN.

M.U. Dec. 15.			
15/4	Anglo-Con. (10/-)	17/0-17/6	+ 0/9
3⅛	Aramayo Mines....	3⅜-3½	
4/3	Bauchi Ord. (10/) ..	5/6-6/0	+ 0/3
8/9	do. Pref (10/) ..	10/3-10/9	+ 0/3
9 9	Bisichi	11/9-12 3	+ 1/0
2⅛	Gopeng	2⅝-2⅞	
33/3	Ipoh	35/0-36/3	+ 0/3
19/0	Kaduna Synd (5/).	19/6-20/6	+ 0/6
1⅛	Kamunting............	2⅛-2⅛	
2	Kramat Pulai	2⅛-2⅛	
3⅛	Malayan T.D.........	3⅝-3⅞	+ 1/32
15/4½	Mongu	16/3-16/9	
23/9	Naraguta	24/3-25 0	+ 1/8
10/6	Pahang (5/-)	10/6-11/0	+ 0/3
1⅛	Rambutan	1⅛-1⅛	
1⅛	Renong	1⅜-2	
14/0	Ropp (4/ Shs)	14/0-14/6	
4⅛	Siamese	4⅛-4⅛	
8/0	South Bukeru	9/0-10/0	
32/0	Tavoy	33/0-34/0	+ 0/6
2⅛	Tronoh	3⅛-3⅛	+ 1/16

COPPER.

⅛	Arizona (5/-)	⅜-⅞*	
1⅛	Mount Elliott (£5)	⅞-⅞	
9/0	Mount Morgan	10/3-11/3	+ 0/3
24/6	Mount Lyell	24/0-25/0	
1⅛	Namaqua	1⅛-1⅞	+ ⅛
38⅛	Rio Tinto (£5)	41⅛-42⅛	+ 1⅛
11/3	S. American (2/).	11/0-11/6	

MISCELLANEOUS.

—	Bingo Pref.	⅛-⅛	
14/0	Brit. Platinum.......	12/6-13/0	− 0/3
15/3	Burma Corp..........	17/3-17/9	+ 0/6
7/1½	Champion Reef.......	6/9-7/3	
1⅛	Chosen Synd "A"	1⅛-1⅛	− 1/16
—	Colombian Props	19/6-20/6	
2/9	Corderoy Synd......	2/3-3/0	− 0/3
3⅛	Huronian Belt........	3⅛-3⅛	
9 6	Keeley Silver........	8/6-9/0	
7/0	Kirkland Lake.......	6/0-6/6	
4⅛	Mexico Mines	4⅜-4⅝	
3⅛	Minerals Separ't'n	3⅛-4⅛	
17/0	Min. Crp. of Can.	17/3-11/9	
12/0	Mysore (10/-)	11/6-12/6	
6/3	Nat. Min. (f.p.).....	7/3-7/9	+ 0/4½
8/0	Nundydroog	7/3-8/3	
13/3	Ooregum	12/9-13/9	
9 0	Oroville	8/6-9/0	
12 0	Porcupine Gold......		
18/0	St. John Del Rey.	17/6-18/6*	
24 6	San Francisco (10/)	27/9-28/3	+ 0/6
10/0	Santa Gertrudis......	10/3-10/9	
—	S. Amer. G. Areas	⅛-⅛	
5/6	Vipond	5/7½-/10½	
1⅛	Waihi Gold..........	1⅛-1⅛	

* Ex. Dividend. † Ex. Rights.

FINANCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

DUBLIN BANKS' CLEARING RETURN.

We print to-day the total Dublin Banks' clearing figures for 1924. The fall, which began in 1921, has gone on without a check. The decline in 1923, which was £39,000,000 less than the fall of 1922, gave some hope of improvement, but the 1924 weekly returns have been uniformly bad, and culminated in a decrease of £4,643,200, the largest recorded in these returns. The total decrease since 1920 amounts to the huge sum of £174,710,000. The decline in trade activity has been severe, of course, as these figures show; and the indications of an upward turn are, so far, infinitesimal.

ULSTER BANK.

This affiliation of the Westminster Bank (says *The Statist*), all but 104 of whose 200,000 shares were held by the London institution at the end of 1923, reports net profits for the year ended 29th ultimo of £211,378, as against £203,588 for 1922-23 and £210,306 for 1919-20. Deposit and credit accounts, at £21,567,007, are down by £483,514, and notes in circulation, £2,037,707, by £75,795. Loans, advances, and discounts of £11,034,702 also declined by £667,341. The £10½ million of Government securities has remained untouched, and only a nominal decline in other securities accompanies an increase in the cash asset, which at £3,016,798 constitutes 11.9 per cent. of the total scheduled resources of £25.6 million. The dividend record is maintained at 21¼ per cent., less income tax, for the year; a further transfer to reserve raises it to £900,000, and other allocations on the usual lines leave the undivided profit balance again in the region of £90,000.

FAILURE OF THE VICTORIAN LOAN.

Another new issue fiasco was disclosed yesterday. Only £540,000 has been publicly subscribed for the £6,000,000 Government of Victoria (Australia) 4½ per cent. Loan, offered at 97½, the remaining 91 per cent. of the issue having been left with the underwriters. This failure follows closely on the unfavourable results of the Port of London issue, when 59½ per cent. of the £3,000,000 of 4½ per cent. Stock, offered at 98½, had to be taken up by the underwriters. Although the Victoria issue, which, unlike the Port issue, is a trustee security, was offered at a point below the Port Loan it has met with a much more unfavourable reception. There is a feeling among investors that in some of these recent gilt-edged issues, too cheeseparing a policy is adopted in fixing the terms. Many of them have, therefore, held off in the hope of buying the stocks in the market at a discount below the issue prices. Business in the Victoria Loan began yesterday in the Stock Exchange at ⅞ discount, while the Port of London issue was quoted yesterday at 1⅛ discount.

CHARGEURS REUNIS PROFITS.

Largely increased earnings are disclosed by the report of the Chargeurs Réunis (French Steam Navigation Company), whose 6½ per cent. Sterling Bonds are quoted in the London Stock Exchange. For the year ended last June the net profit was 12,938,767 francs (about £148,700 at the current rate of exchange), against only 130,870 francs (£1,500) for the preceding year. After again placing 6,543 francs to the statutory reserve fund, 12,565,998 francs (£144,400) are applied to writing down the fleet, leaving 520,094 francs (£5,970) to be carried forward. The directors state that "the information available as to the results of the first five months of the current financial year encourages the belief that the company is beginning to reap the fruits of its past efforts, unless an unforeseen crisis should arise to interfere with the general shipping situation."

DAVY BROTHERS.

The directors of Davy Brothers, in the course of a circular, state that, owing to unsettled conditions in the engineering trade and difficulties experienced in obtaining orders, they have decided to conserve their resources and to postpone consideration of the payment of the dividend either on the Preference or Ordinary Shares until the final accounts for the financial year are before them. They have decided to issue 150,000 First Mortgage Debentures, of which 100,000 have been placed, to provide further working capital to pay for the new foundry, and to replace 30,000 old Debentures paid off.

PROVINCIAL EXCHANGES.

MANCHESTER.—Big business in textiles at advancing prices. Bleachers, 68/-69/-; do. Pref., 22/-22/6; Calicos, 39/-39/6; do. Pref., 18/6-18/9; Dyers, 84/6-85/-; do. Pref., 20/-20/6; Cottons, 63/6-64/6; do. Pref., 19/9-20/-; Spinners, 60/-60/6; do. Pref., 19/6-20/-; "Slubbers," 8/9-9/-; Coats, 63/6-64/-; Ship Canal, 8 5/16-⅜; do. Pref., 8⅛-¼; Velvets, 30/6-31/-.

BIRMINGHAM.—Motors displayed quiet strength. Humbers buoyant. Rovers better. Rolls Royce improving on annual report. Dunlops and Parent Deferred both dropped. Austins, 5/10½; Debs., 87½; Bluemels, 37/6; Components, 3/6; S.T.D., 5/9; Enfields, 28/-; Humbers, 30/9; Napiers, 26/-; do Pref., 19/6; Rolls, 29/6; Rovers, 11/6; Singers, 33/6; Standards, 48/6; Swifts, 8/6; Triumphs, 28/3; Vauxhalls, 5/9; Dunlops, 10/3; Parent Def., 36/-.

TRAFFICS.

Canadian National Railways—Week to December 21st, decrease 1,112,149 dollars. Antofagasta and Bolivia Railway—Week to December 21st, increase £3,730. Great Southern of Spain Railway—Week to December 20th, decrease 23,380 pesetas. Rohilkund and Ku-Aon Railway—Week to November 29th, increase Rs. 4,126. Lucknow Bareilly State Railway, increase Rs. 11,036. Bengal and North-Western Railway—Week to December 6th, increase Rs. 30,005. Barsi Light Railway—Week to December 6th, decrease Rs.4,600. Anglo-Argentine Tramways—Week to December 23rd, £91,705; increase £2,334. Brazilian Traction, Light and Power—November net earnings, $1,415,829; increase $292,437.

PRUSSIAN FINANCIAL SCANDAL.

STATE BANK OFFICIAL ARRESTED.

BERLIN, Monday.

One of the directors of the Prussian State Bank has been arrested as the result of transactions with a financier who, it is alleged, was granted a credit up to fifteen million marks upon inadequate security. Several other arrests have been made in connection with the affair.

The State Bank, which was founded some hundred and fifty years ago has a capital of ten million gold marks, and the loss incurred will have to be borne by the Prussian taxpayers.

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Advances at KELLY'S Great Central Money Office, 48 FLEET STREET (Westmoreland street), Dublin, on deposit of Jewels, Antique and Modern Plate, and any other Valuable Property.

Telephone—3487.

ON VIEW TO-MORROW.

FURNITURE AUCTION, THURSDAY NEXT, 1st JANUARY, 1925,

AT JAMES HILL & SON'S SECOND AUCTION ROOMS, No. 9 BACHELOR'S WALK.

USEFUL HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS.

12 PAINTERS' DOUBLE LADDERS, SWITCH AND TELESCOPE DITTO, PLANES AND TACKLING. PORTABLE GAS BOILERS, 500 GROSS WOOD SCREWS, 3 NEW MOTOR TYRES, AND QUANTITY OF CAST MILITARY CLOTHING AND MISCELLANEOUS EFFECTS, BOOTS, &c.

ON VIEW TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY). PURCHASERS PAY 5 PER CENT. FEES.

JAMES HILL & SON, M.I.A.A., AUCTIONEERS AND VALUERS, 9 AND 10 BACHELOR'S WALK.

FENNOR, COUNTY KILDARE.

1924, Number 421
SAORSTAT EIREANN
HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE—
Mr. JUSTICE MURNAGHAN.
Between

ANNE MORAN, Plaintiff;
And
JOHN FARRELL, Defendant.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION (pursuant to an Order of Mr. Justice Murnaghan, dated the 24th day of June, 1924),

IN ONE LOT,

At the Courthouse, Kildare, in the County of Kildare, on Thursday, the 22nd day of January, 1925, at the hour of twelve o'clock noon, by Mr. Owen Boland, Auctioneer. The purchaser will not be required to pay Auctioneer's commission:—

Part of the lands of Fennor, situate in the Barony of West Offaly and County of Kildare, containing 147 acres 3 roods 7 perches, Statute measure.

Held in fee-simple, subject to the restrictions as to sub-division, mortgaging, sub-letting, etc. contained in the Irish Land Acts and to an annuity of £53 12/3 payable to the Irish Land Commission for the third decade, which began on 1st May, 1907, and subject to the burdens set forth in the folio Number 280/22575 of the Register, County of Kildare, relating thereto.

DESCRIPTIVE PARTICULARS.

The farm is laid out in convenient sized fields, well watered and sheltered; seven acres were manured this season, ten acres under new grass, remainder all in grass.

There is a comfortable stone-built dwelling and substantial stone-built slated out-offices attached, capable of holding eighty head of cattle; ample horse stabling, and lofting for 500 barrels.

The holding adjoins the public road, with dwelling, being approached by short avenue, and within one mile from Kildare town and railway station, and three miles from Curragh Camp. It presents an unique opportunity to any person desirous of securing a very compact holding conveniently situated.

For particulars and conditions of Sale apply to

ALFRED W. GLOVER, Solicitor for Plaintiff, having carriage of Sale, 20 Wicklow street, Dublin; or to
OWEN BOLAND, Auctioneer, Monasterevan, County Kildare.

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SITUATIONS VACANT.

A SHORTHAND Typist, knowledge Bookkeeping, required, part time; state terms.—D 1677, this office. 27 D

ATLANTIC College, 45-47 Henry street, Dublin—Intensive Training, Wireless, Electrical Engineering, Cable, P.O. Telegraphy. Next Session 12th January. Prospectus 6d. X

CEYLON, Africa, South America, etc.—Clerks, Engineers, Fitters, Mining, Railway, Factory Employés and others seeking remunerative passage paid appointments abroad should send stamped envelope for particulars of assistance rendered, terms and details of past successes, Percy Coutts and Co., Ltd., Colonial Dept. 40, 325 High Holborn, London.

GENERAL Drapery—Wanted Assistant. Copies references, salary (outdoor), W. J. Ratter, Tullamore. 29 E

LADY Housekeeper Wanted, 30 to 40, old gentleman, country, Dublin district; only those giving full particulars replied to; protestant preferred.—D 1633, this office. 23 B

PAPER and Stationery Trade—Young Man required, having knowledge of same.—D 1793, this office. 29 C

RESPECTABLE Youth Wanted as Porter in Tailoring Establishment. Reply, stating wages, to D 1749, this office. 29 E

START a Business in Drapery, etc., from £1 upwards. Special attention to widows and beginners. Sure living. Write for advice and list, H. Levaine (Dept. C), 143 Houndsditch, London, E. 1. X

VACANCY for a lady or gentleman in the Nursery and Market Garden Business, and Poultry, combined, one with capital, to go as partner, preferred.—D 1744, this office. 29 E

VACANCY for an Apprentice in the Seed and Florist Business; fee required.—D 1743, this office. 29 E

WANTED, Smith, having good knowledge of manufacture of hay barn trusses and fittings. Address, stating terms, to "Z 165, Smith," this office. 26 C

WANTED, Mother's Help, young; housework, children; experienced.—15 Upper Leeson street.

WANTED, competent Assistant for Tobacconist and Confectionery; must be well recommended.—D 1796, this office.

WANTED, Companion Help, Protestant, middleaged, for small adult family, country town, County Sligo; references required; state salary expected. Address "Z 185, Help," this office. 29 C

WANTED (for small city business) Lady Shorthand Typist; keep plain books, assist in shop; must be willing and obliging. Reply, particulars, copies references, salary expected, D 1731, this office. 29 C

WANTED, young Lady as Bookkeeper, knowledge of Stationery; state experience and salary.—D 1816, this office. 29 E

WANTED by leading firm of Stationers, young Lady Assistant; state experience and salary.—D 1815, this office. 29 E

WANTED, a Mother's Help, housework, no washing; must be very clean, trustworthy and fond of children. Copies of references and wages expected to D 1811, this office. 29 E

WANTED (daily, from 2 to 7), Lady, take charge two children.—D 30, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown.

MONEY, PARTNERSHIPS, ETC.

A LOAN from £10 upwards can be had; reasonable interest, long terms; Dublin only.—D 409, this office. 78 18

ADVANCES on War Loans, Stocks, Shares; Pension Vouchers cashed.—A. Elkinson, 48 Aungier street. 26 11

EX-MILITARY and R.I.C. Pension Vouchers Cashed without delay at 32 South Frederick street, Dublin. T

LOANS advanced on own note of hand, city or country. Call or write, W. Watson, 3 Hawkins street, Dublin. 12 19

LADY, starting Dairy and Poultry Farm, Co. Wicklow, desires Partner, sleeping or active; £500 capital. Address "Z 42, Dairy," this office. 8 16

LOANS—The Commercial Union Loan and Discount Co., Ltd., 57 Middle Abbey street, Dublin, grant Loans. Apply to Manager. 26 30

YOUNG man desires Partnership in Small Business (either sex) or position of trust; cash security if required.—D 1773, this office. 29 E

£5 TO £500 Advanced privately on approved personal security of borrower at an extremely low rate of interest; loan can be repaid by small instalments to suit. Call or write for particulars, S. Freeman and Co., 1 Garfield street, Belfast. 26 2

HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS, OFFICIALS, SERVANTS, ETC.

POSITIONS VACANT.

A COOK General required for McCormack's Commercial Hotel, Castlerea. Send copies of references and state salary to Mrs. Cahill, Proprietress. 24 B

BETWEENMAID, also Laundrymaid with experience of washing machine, Wanted. Apply Royal Hibernian Hotel. 28 B

HOTEL Assistant required for general relief, Office, etc., small hotel, Co. Dublin. Apply, stating fully experience, reference, wages, to D 1713, this office. 28 B

HEAD Waiter Wanted, with experience of public dinners. Apply, with full particulars, to D 1818, this office.

SUPERIOR Waiter Wanted, absolute T.T., honest; permanent post; excellent chance for right man; live in; full particulars and copies references.—D 1794, this office. 29 E

EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

YOUNG Waitress seeks situation, restaurant, hotel, city; highly recommended.—D 1704, this office. 29 E

YOUNG Chambermaid desires situation in good Hotel; good papers.—D 1713, this office.

REPRESENTATIVES WANTED.

AN Outdoor Representative required for a well known Advertising Firm. Reply, in first instance, to D 1813, this office.

CANVASSERS or Agents required to Sell Gummed Paper Tapes and Sealing Machines to users; good profits assured to pushing salesmen. Write Box 209, Sell's Advertising Offices, Fleet street, London, E.C. 4.

MANUFACTURERS' Agents, representing leading Chocolate and Confectionery House, require a Traveller for city and country; whole time; salary and expenses paid. Reply, stating experience, etc., in confidence, D 1768, this office. 29 C

TEA Agency for Sale, splendid connection, institutions, Dublin; what offer?—D 1732, this office.

WANTED, by a Dublin firm of Flour Millers, an experienced Traveller for the Midlands and the West. Applicants to furnish particulars of experience and copies of references, and to state terms expected, to D 1636 this office. 23 B

AGENCIES AND SITUATIONS WANTED.

TRAVELLER, working South Eastern journey, is open for good Green Fruit Agency. Address "Z 170, Traveller," this office. 27 D

LEGAL APPOINTMENTS.

BOOKKEEPER, General Assistant (male) Wanted by Dublin Solicitor; state experience, salary, copy reference.—D 1690, this office. 27 D

SHORTHAND Typist and Bookkeeper Wanted for Solicitor's Office; state salary, and send copies references.—D 1771, this office.

WANTED, Managing Clerk; salary offered £6 weekly. Send copies references and full particulars to Alexander Fisher, Solicitor, Newry. 26 E

WANTED, Typist and Shorthand Writer for Solicitor's Office (Dublin); state experience and salary.—D 1693, this office. 27 D

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

ELASTIC Stockings, 5/6; Knee Caps, 3/6; Anklets, 3/6, best seamless quality; Rupture Trusses, Hot Water Bottles, etc.; catalogue.—Blake's Medical Stores, 20 Fownes' street, off Dame street, Dublin. 24 17

PHARMACEUTICAL Chemist seeks position; long experience; excellent references. Address "Z 182, Chemist," this office. 13 80

QUALIFIED Male Nurse disengaged; good reference; distance no obstacle.—D 1702, this office. 29 E

QUALIFIED Chemist, disengaged, seeks position, town or country; highest references. Address "Z 205, Chemist," this office. 29 E

TRAINED Nurse would take Chronic Case, lady or gentleman, or as Nurse Companion, and would housekeep; excellent references.—D 1755, this office. 29 C

WANTED, Chemist to join in putting Cough Mixture on market, also celebrated Skin Disease Cure for all skin diseases, and also mange. Address "Z 153, Chemist," this office. 23 B

WANTED, Nurse-Attendant for invalid lady. Apply, Tuesday before 1 o'clock, 18 Effra road, Rathmines.

TUITIONS AND SCHOLARSHIPS.

ALL Professional and University Prelims, Oral and Correspondence. Success lists free.—McGUIRE'S COLLEGE, Sackville street, Dublin. T

ALL University and Professional Preliminaries—Solicitors', Surgeons', Veterinary, Pharmaceutical Preliminaries, University Entrance; Day, Evening, Correspondence Classes.—W. St. George Breakey, 8 Molesworth street, Dublin. 26 T

ASSISTANT Teacher seeks position in a Dublin School; would be willing to act as Substitute.—D 1685, this office. 27 D

EXPERIENCED young Lady (Protestant) desires post as Nursery Governess, or child over 3 years; good needlewoman; highest references; South suburbs, daily or resident.—D 1790, this office.

TUITIONS CONTINUED.

ENTRANCE, Term, Degree Examinations, Trinity College—Numerous successes.—Henry French, M.A., 5 Dartmouth square. 28 D

HIGH Class School, England—Gentleman's Daughter (or two sisters or friends) can be received on very advantageous terms as Companions to others; resident mistresses, visiting teachers; most reliable teaching and home care. Address "Z 198, Companions," this office. 29 D

LADY (Catholic) desires post Nursery Governess, Mother's Help, care invalid; Dublin. Address "Z 189, Governess," this office. 29 C

NEEDLEWORK, Dressmaking, Embroidery—Classes, Private Lessons, competent Teacher (certificated).—D 1759, this office. 29 E

QUALIFIED Kindergarten Teacher (I.C.), experienced, desires resident post in Dublin school in January.—D 1700, this office. 27 B

SHORTHAND, Typewriting, Bookkeeping, etc.—Metropolitan College (Gillespie's), 100 Lower Mount street. 'Phone, 3055. T

SHORTHAND, Typewriting—Private Tuitions, mornings, evenings, afternoons; rapid results.—Murphy, 16 Appian Way. 12 30

GOVERNESSES AND TUTORS WANTED

AGENT FOR GOVERNESSES AND SCHOOLS.—Miss Bellingham Todd, 5 Grafton st., Dublin. Advises Parents and Managers. Tel. No. 5258. T

FRENCH Governess required, afternoon hours, January, Leeson street district.—101, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot street Bridge. 29 C

JUNIOR Mistress Wanted, age over 25; salary, £80, res.—Wilmslow College, Cheshire. 27 F

REQUIRED, January, in school near Dublin, Mistress to teach one or both of the following subjects: Botany, Advanced Latin, etc. Address "Z 154, Mistress," this office. 23 C

WANTED, January, Nursery Governess, R.C., two girls, 7 and 3 years. Send particulars to Mrs. Higgins-Healy, Jamestown, Carrick-on-Shannon, County Leitrim. 29 E

WANTED, Protestant Teacher for School in Belfast. Southern candidates apply Box No. 1557, Irish Times Branch Office, Belfast. 29 C

EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

AUDITING and Accounting—Young Man, 25, desires position in Accountant's Office early new year; 8 years' experience.—No. 369, Irish Times Branch Office, Blackrock. 29 E

COMPANION Housekeeper, nursing experience, Church of Ireland; needlework; excellent testimonials.—G 44, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 29 E

DRESSMAKER, experienced, wants Work, ladies' houses, costumes; good renovator.—D 1762, this office. 29 E

EDUCATED country Girl (middleaged) seeks post Housekeeper or any other position of trust. Address "Z 191, Housekeeper," this office.

FARMER'S Daughter desires position as Shorthand Typist; no experience; highest references; state salary.—D 1738, this office. 29 C

GROCER'S Assistant (Junior), with high class city experience, desires vacancy; highly recommended.—D 1715, this office. 28 B

GENTLEWOMAN, Protestant, seeks post, Companion Help; groom horses, ride and drive, garden, useful indoor; highest references. Address "Z 188, Help," this office. 29 C

GIRL, finished school, 8th Standard, good handwriting, quick figures, seeks Office Work.—D 1803, this office. 29 D

LADY seeks position as Relief Pianiste in Cinema or Cafe; references.—D 1792, this office.

MAN seeks situation as Night or Day Watchman; reference if required.—D 1788, this office.

SHORTHAND Typist, experienced, seeks position; thoroughly competent; very good references; small salary, progressive.—D 1680, this office. 29 F

SEED Trade—Thoroughly qualified Assistant, all branches, now disengaged; highest references.—D 1674, this office. 27 D

SHORTHAND Typist seeks position; experience motor line; thoroughly competent; very good references.—D 1679, this office. 29 F

SUPERIOR Person wishes post as Housekeeper, Working or otherwise; very long reference; or would go Invalid Attendant.—D 1776, this office.

SUPERIOR experienced Working Housekeeper disengaged middle of January; thoroughly recommended by past and present employers.—681, Irish Times Branch Office, Bray. 29 E

WANTED, post as Companion Help; thoroughly domesticated, experienced, recommended. Address "Z 205, Help," this office. 29 E

YOUNG Woman wishes situation as Housekeeper; widower with children preferred; hard worker; good reference.—21 Mountpleasant square, Rathmines.

YOUNG Belfast Man (25) wishes to hear of vacancy (in Dublin), Drapery, etc. Address "Z 197, Man," this office. 29 C

MALE SERVANTS WANTED.

HERD Wanted, thoroughly experienced. Send copies of discharges to Estate Agent, Knockdrin Castle, Mullingar. 28 D

TWO Rabbit Trappers Wanted immediately; only first class men need apply; must be good burrow trappers; 6d. per couple, all found; helper allowed if necessary. Apply, with references, to William Cooke, Rabbit Contractor, Thurles.

WANTED, January, General Farm Hand, non-union; milk and drive; £18 yearly (indoor). Address "Z 179, General," this office. 28 B

WANTED, vicinity Harold's Cross, General Man; clean milker, plough little in garden; wages 42/-, no other allowance; country man preferred.—D 1711, this office. 28 B

WANTED, good, capable General Man, R.C., bachelor, to live in and do all general work. Apply Mrs. Gregg, Rathleague, Maryborough, Leix.

STEWARDS AND GARDENERS WANTED

WANTED, honest, reliable young Man (Co. Dublin), with knowledge of gardening, horses, and driving; from country preferred.—D 1678, this office. 29 B

WANTED, experienced Gardener, single, who can milk. Interview, Blackwood's, Lower Mount street.

MALE SERVANTS DISENGAGED.

BOY seeks situation; can ride, schooling; highly recommended. Address "Z 181, Boy," this office. 28 D

FARM Labourer disengaged, desires situation; suburbs preferred; good papers.—D 1720, this office. 29 E

GOOD Rabbit Trapper seeks situation; good reference, Byrne, Coolboy, Arklow. 23 B

HERD, married, R.C., seeks situation; experienced man in all duties.—Lynch, Grangeford, Tullow. 28 D

MARRIED Man seeks situation as Dairyman or Yardman; good milker; understands care of cows; can be highly recommended.—D 1765, this office. 29 C

RABBIT Trapper seeks employment; strong references. Address "Z 145, Trapper," this office. 22 B

TRAPPING Wanted, weekly or couple; good references. Address "Z 204, Trapping," this office. 29 E

YOUNG Man wishes situation, House or Outdoor Work; handy and useful; recommended.—D 1716, this office. 28 D

STEWARDS AND GARDENERS DISENGAGED

GARDENER, hard working, disengaged, experienced; highly recommended; can drive motor or milk if required; married, R.C. Address "Z 176, Gardener," this office. 27 D

GOOD Gardener, General Man, seeks situation; married, small family; good discharges.—Edward Mulligan, Sandyford Hill, Co. Dublin.

STEWARD, disengaged 1st January, seeks employment; 7 years present position; highest references. Apply Chas. Fielding, Corville, Roscrea.

DOMESTICS WANTED.

A STRONG young Girl Wanted for Morning Work; good scrubber; recommended; South side.—D 1750, this office.

ACTIVE Girl required for housework, 8 to 6 o'clock. 66 Belmont avenue, Donnybrook.

PROTESTANT Personal Woman Servant required, early January; good needlewoman; well recommended; wheel chair.—D 1685, this office. 27 D

WANTED, Country Girl, strong and willing, to train as General Servant, Rathgar. Copies references, etc., to D 1772, this office. 29 E

WANTED temporarily, middle of January, Maid for elderly invalid lady, neighbourhood Bray.—D 1757, this office.

WANTED, superior Girl, about 18, with some experience, as Betweenmaid.—Mrs. Birkett, Derrintorey, Carrickmines.

WELL recommended Girl Wanted, daily; knowledge of house, parlour work and sewing; enclose copies. R O 1448, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines.

WANTED, Cooks, P'maids, H. P'maids, H'maids, Generals.—Blackwood's, 41 Lower Mount street.

VACANCIES FOR SERVANTS.

There are many vacancies in the REGISTRY of the "Irish Times" for all classes of Trained and Untrained Servants. Good wages offered. No fees charged. MATRON can recommend comfortable Homes where Servants can stay while waiting for situations. T

COOKS AND DAIRYMAIDS WANTED

ANY number Cooks; £26 to £70; Protestants, R.C.'s.—Kennedy's, 68 Sackville street.

COOK General and House Parlourmaid, experienced, Wanted; wages £35, £28. Send copies, age, Mrs. Evans, Lucan, Co. Dublin.

COOK General Wanted immediately, quiet place, two ladies. Apply by letter, sending copy of last reference, and stating age, religion, and wages expected, to Mrs. Hamilton, 83 Wellington road, Dublin. 29 C

COOK General Wanted, country place; 4 in family; send copies discharges, stating age, wages expected, Mrs. Shackleton, Canonbrook, Lucan, Co. Dublin.

EXPERIENCED Cook Wanted, Fitzwilliam square; three other maids kept; good wages; send copies.—D 1732, this office. 29 E

GOOD Cook General Wanted immediately.—103, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot street Bridge. 29 D

LADY, Irish, Catholic, requires good Singlehanded Cook, also possibly Housemaid, for London; close church. Address "Z 187, Cook," this office. 29 E

TWO good Maids Wanted, Cook General and House Parlourmaid, for January 9th; must be highly recommended; two in family.—Mrs. Poole, 15 Lower Fitzwilliam street. 29 E

WANTED, good Cook, country, near Dublin; state age, experience and wages expected; two other maids kept.—D 1739, this office. 29 C

WANTED, young Cook General or good Kitchenmaid for Protestant School. Apply Epworth Hall, Winton road, off Leeson Park. 29 C

WANTED, experienced Cook. Call, with references, Shrewsbury House, Shrewsbury road. 29 D

WANTED, good young Cook General; South side; must be good cook.—D 1736, this office.

YOUNG Cook General Wanted; must have good knowledge fancy cooking; family two; £36. Apply 8 Ailesbury road.

GENERALS WANTED

A RESPECTABLE, honest Girl required as General immediately.—9 Ailesbury Gardens, Sydney parade. 27 B

ANY number Generals; £20 to £36.—Kennedy's, 68 Sackville street.

CAN Lady recommend reliable General? small house, family two; good laundress. Age, religion, copies. H 125, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown.

EXPERIENCED young General or Cook General; well recommended. Apply, with references, 119 Stephen's Green, 7 to 8. 24 C

EXPERIENCED young General Wanted; references. Call, before 2 o'clock, 165 Rathgar road.

GENERAL—Strong Girl Wanted for private boarding house, city; good plain cook; small washing; good home for suitable girl; wages £30.—D 1774, this office. 29 E

GENERAL Wanted at once; used to children. Call Leinster, Terenure road.

GENERAL Wanted immediately, well recommended; three in family. Call before 12, after 6, Royal Bank House, Terenure. 29 C

GENERAL Servant Wanted, outdoor; plain cooking, small washing.—18 Cambridge road, Rathmines.

GENERAL Servant Wanted for ... R. C. ...; must be well recommended.

McKEOWN, MacKEOGH & CO.

CLEARANCE SALE.

KILBARRACK LODGE, SUTTON, CO. DUBLIN.

HAVING disposed of his interest in above Property, we are instructed by Joseph Reilly, Esq., TO SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on the Lands as above, on MONDAY, 5th JANUARY, 1925, at 12 o'clock, noon, 8 Large Pikes of well-saved Meadow Hay, 9 good Farm Horses, Milch Cow, Cart and Harness, Chill Plough, etc., etc.

TUESDAY NEXT, 6th JANUARY, 1925. KILTERNAN VILLA, KILTERNAN—Letting of 62 Acres of Rich Grazing Lands, in suitable divisions, at 12 o'clock, noon, for Joseph Mooney, Esq.

WEDNESDAY, 7th JANUARY, 1925. PIERCETOWN, DUNBOYNE—Letting of 80 Acres of Splendid Fattening and Finishing Lands (in one or four divisions, to suit purchasers), up to 1/12/1925, at 12 o'clock, noon, for Denis Yourell, Esq. These Lands are situated within 2 miles of Dunboyne Station (M.G.W. Rly.), and about 9 miles from the Dublin Cattle Market.

SALE OF SPLENDID SHEEP FARM,

TICKNOCK, CO. DUBLIN.

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WANTED, good General for 2 Lower Hatch street. 29 E

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WANTED, good General for small family, Rathfarnham district; no washing; help provided; good recommendations essential. Reply, with copies of references, to D 1764, this office.

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WANTED, Well Trained House Parlourmaid; country girl preferred; recommended; wages £30.—Mrs. Boswell, Dangan, Carrickmines. 29 F

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NURSE Wanted for baby one year (Dublin); occasionally help in house; state age and send copies references.—D 1764, this office. 29 C

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WANTED, early in January, Nurserymaid, R.C., under good nurse; with some experience preferred. Reply, by letter only, enclosing copies of references, Fitzgerald, 65 Lansdowne road. 27 D

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GENTLEMAN requires two communicating Rooms or good combined Room, partial Board; vicinity tram line 22 preferred.—D 1804, this office. 29 C

HALF House or Flat, Unfurnished, 4 or 5 rooms, bathroom, light, kitchenette; central; moderate; adults. Address "Z 184, Half House," this office.

LADY requires large Combined Room in quiet house for three months (not consecutive) each year; partial board; no other boarders; good locality essential. Address "Z 164, Apartments," this office. 26 C

TWO young Ladies require Bedroom (double bed), use of sittingroom and attendance; moderate.—D 1805, this office. 29 C

WANTED, Unfurnished small Flat, or two Rooms might suit; North side preferred; state rent.—D 1688, this office. 28 B

WANTED, Unfurnished Rooms, central; full particulars.—D 1697, this office. 27 B

WANTED, Unfurnished, two Rooms or one very large, Dublin or Pembroke district; reference given.—100, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot street Bridge. 29 C

WANTED in Protestant house, partly Furnished Combined or Bedroom and kitchenette, own bed, linen, china, etc.; permanent; no attendance.—P. H., Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown.

YOUNG married couple (R.C.) require select Apartments; small Flat, or as Paying Guests with respectable family for one or three months; state terms and particulars. Address "Z 207, Couple," this office. 29 C

SEASIDE AND COUNTRY.

HOUSES TO LET AND WANTED.

ABOUT £700 offered for medium sized House, Bray; close sea and rail; possession April or earlier.—D 1797, this office.

BLACKROCK—Advertisements for "Irish Times" received at 41 Main street up to 3.30 p.m. for following day's Paper. T

COUNTY Wicklow—To Let, charmingly situated Residence (Furnished), fishing and rough shooting. Apply (stamp) Edward F. Harris, House and Land Agent, Delgany, County Wicklow. 29 C

DALKEY—Advertisements (Prepaid) for "Irish Times" can be handed in at Mr. Winnett's Newsagency and Stationery, 20 Castle street, Dalkey, up to 3.45 p.m. for insertion in the following day's Paper. T

NICE Furnished House to Let in Blackrock, 15th January; 4 bedrooms, drawing and dining room, h. and c. bath, gas through house, excellent range, new gas cooker, large garden; nice outlook; £16 per month.—D 1795, this office. 29 E

SANDYCOVE—Unfurnished, large House to Let; £80 and taxes for term.—D 1770, this office. 29 E

UNFURNISHED Residence, standing in extensive grounds, convenient to Dublin, also good hunting, golf. Address "Z 196, Residence," this office. 29 E

WANTED, House to purchase, Kingstown, from £700-£800; prompt cash; state full particulars in reply.—D 1767, this office. 29 C

APARTMENTS TO LET AND WANTED

BLACKROCK—23 Carysfort avenue; Apartments to Let, Board as required; moderate. 27 D

WANTED, vicinity Booterstown, Blackrock, Kingstown, or Dalkey from middle January, for six months, one Double Bed Sittingroom, with Double Bedded Room, use of kitchen or gas stove; state lowest terms, which must be moderate.—D 1622, this office. 23 C

WANTED, Farm Pupil or Guest; terms 35/- weekly; references. Address "Z 180, Pupil," this office. 28 D

WANTED by a single lady, Furnished Bed Sittingroom, in Blackrock or Monkstown district. Reply, stating terms, with and without board, to D 1766, this office.

WICKLOW—Comfortable Furnished Apartments for winter months; any term; attendance.—Knox, Leitrim Place. 29 X

MISCELLANEOUS.

AT Sharpley's, Baby Linen Specialists—Ladies invited write for Catalogue Baby Linen, Accouchement, Nursery Requisites.—Nassau street, Lower Camden street, Dublin. T

A CAPITAL Idea—Fox, Otter, Badger Skins, etc., cured, dressed, preserved, dyed, made up into beautiful large Furs; moderate charges; Furs and Coats repaired, cleaned, relined, latest styles.—Elbery, Practical Manufacturing Furrier, 74 Lower Camden street and 18a Harcourt road, Dublin. 'Phone 51212. T

A PERFECT Whiskey Cure. Discovered by an experienced Drunkard.—D 1682, this office.

MISCELLANEOUS CONTINUED.

ANTISEPTIC Electrolysis Removes Hair permanently without mark. Consultations free.—Miss Reed, Certified Specialist, Second Floor, 4 Dawson street. Hours, 10-5. X

BEVA Waterproof Shooting Boots, best in the trade, examine pair placed in dish of water in window for several weeks, price 29/6; our Times Test Brands are unbeatable for farmers, farm labourers, Dairymen, and all others requiring a thoroughly reliable boot for all weather, nailed and unnailed; price, Split Kip 18/11, Whole Kip 23/6; postage 1/- extra.—Heyden and Co., 178 and 179 North King street, Dublin.

"CLOCK Repairing" my Speciality.—Walsh, Seaford row (Aston's quay). Personal attention given. E

COAL—Best Household, 40/- ton; Best Range, 42/-; Special Wigan, 47/-; Slack, 30/-; Superior Orrell Slack, 34/-. Try Rothwell, 59 North King street. 'Phone, 828. 29 E

GET your money's worth. Are you sure you are getting the best value possible in clothing? Are you fully satisfied with the fit, style, and wear? If not, we believe we can be of service to you. We have great bargains, Suits and Overcoats—odd lots at greatly reduced prices.—Leyburne Murphy, Family Clothier, Exchequer street. 22 D

HAIR Falling in circular patches (Alopecia Areata).—This and other hair troubles guaranteed cured by "Alopecine" Lotion; bottles 2/6 and 4/6, postage 6d.—M. J. O'Callaghan, L.P.S.I., Dept. T., 2 Westland Row, Dublin. 15 X

IRISH Lace—Vests or Handkerchiefs, 2/6 to 5/6; Christmas Gifts.—Gordon's, 44 and 22 Mary street, Dublin. 21 2

TOM—Yes. B.S. staying on. Many thanks; afraid ask. Do you like K.? Delighted at news. Decide near L. L.L. Mod Joy.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

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WILL COMMENCE ON

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Winter Goods of all descriptions, of which there are immense Stocks left over, are being sacrificed. Outstanding Bargains in all Departments.

Write for Price List, sent post free.

ASTON'S QUAY, DUBLIN.

HANDLING OF MEAT BY CUSTOMERS.

AN OBJECTIONABLE PRACTICE.

Regulations made by the British Minister of Health relating to the slaughter of animals for human consumption, the marking of inspected meat and the conditions of storage, handling and transport of meat were issued last night.

In a covering circular to the regulations, it is pointed out that they have been framed with a view of preventing objectionable practices, so far as this can be affected by administrative action by public authorities.

There are, however, some practices which do not lend themselves to control by regulation, and in regard to which improvement can only be effected by the force of public opinion and the refusal of the public to buy their meat where such conditions obtain, states the circular. An instance of this is the common practice of handling meat before purchase. It is felt that a specific prohibition of such a practice, where the customer is the party mainly at fault, could not be effectively enforced, but that the co-operation of the trade might, with advantage, be invited in securing its discontinuance. It is, therefore, suggested that meat vendors should be asked to exhibit notices urging customers not to handle meat before purchase.

TRADES UNION CONGRESS

DELEGATES TO RUSSIA IN CONFERENCE.

The General Council of the Trades Union Congress met yesterday afternoon for the purpose of meeting its delegation just returned from Russia.

According to an official statement, the delegation was not in a position to present a full report of its investigations, but amplified that already published in the Press. It is hoped that a full report will be out within a month.

The Council considered an invitation from the National Minority movement to a special conference for the purpose of promoting trade union unity, and decided that it could not be represented.

The Council also considered a communication from the Labour Party, relating to the setting up of a special Labour Party Committee of Inquiry into the Zinovieff letter, and decided to participate in the investigations. Mr. Fred Bramley, the secretary, remarked: "We shall give that Committee the result of our special investigations in Moscow."

THE COLORADO BEETLE.

EMBARGO ON AMERICAN POTATOES.

WASHINGTON, Monday.

A message was dispatched to-day by Mr. Hughes, Secretary of State, to Mr. Kellogg, the U.S. Ambassador in London, directing him to ascertain the facts concerning the promulgation by the British Government of an embargo against the importation of American potatoes into Great Britain.

This embargo became effective on December 23.—(Reuter.)

THE SHIPPING DISPUTE IN AUSTRALIA.

MELBOURNE, Monday.

Although they have no dispute with the owners, the crews of three inter-State steamers now at Freemantle have refused to get up steam because the lumpers have decided to work on the Clan Mourol, in spite of the fact that it does not pay Australian rates of wages.

The shipowners have consequently decided to suspend the sailings to West Australia until they are satisfied that work will be performed without interruption.—(Reuter.)

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